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3rd Islamic Summit tackles crucial issues

By a Staff Writer

TAIF, Jan. 26 — The third Islamic summit conference went into its second plenary session Monday night as the outgoing conference chairman President Zia ul-Haq of Pakistan, passed on the OIC chairmanship to King Khalid for the next five years. The King, who accepted the chairmanship of the conference amidst loud cheers, thanked the conferees for the honor and implored God "to enable us to work according to His pleasure." The King held out hope that the conference would bring about welfare for Muslims and the world at large.

President Zia addressed the preliminary session as chairman of the previous session, and expressed his deep gratitude to the government of Saudi Arabia for its warm hospitality to the Muslim leaders.

He referred to the Iraq-Iran conflict and said that, after the study of the issue at New York, the Islamic foreign ministers' conference has resolved that a larger delegation comprising the heads of Islamic states should undertake a mission to Tehran and Baghdad. He reiterated that the delegation would strive to find an equitable solution to the difference as soon as the two governments express their readiness to receive it.

President Zia reaffirmed that his contacts with the two governments have made it clear that they are keen to find an honorable solution to the crisis. He urged the summit to do everything possible to strike an honorable and acceptable political solution to the war between the two brotherly peoples.

On the Palestine issue, the president said that the resolution adopted at the Arab summit conference on the severance of all relations with any state recognizing Jerusalem as the political capital of Israel would have an effective and long-term impact. He added that the whole world recognizes the threat to world peace owing to Israel's continued occupation of Arab lands.

Zia denounced Israel's military intervention in South Lebanon and called upon the conference to take effective steps to confront the aggressive Zionist policy and ensure the unity of Lebanon.

In regard to the Afghanistan crisis, the Pakistani president deeply regretted that no progress has been made in the efforts exerted to resolve the crisis. He described this failure to Kabul regime's non-cooperation with the Steering Committee on Afghanistan, an offshoot of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC). He urged the OIC to continue efforts to put moral and political pressure to ensure the withdrawal of all alien forces from Afghanistan.

The president reiterated that his country, was continuously sheltering the Afghan refugees whose numbers have soared to 1.5 million. He thanked the Islamic states, other



President Zia

countries and international relief agencies which helped Pakistan in carrying out its obligation toward the refugees. Pakistan would need continued assistance to augment its limited potentialities to help the refugees, Zia added.

Referring to Muslim minorities, Zia urged the summit to keep in mind their sufferings and the deprivation of their fundamental rights. He reaffirmed that the Muslim minority issue is directly linked to the interest of the Islamic nations as a whole.

The Pakistani president mentioned his recent tour of some Gulf states and said his country believed that the security of the Gulf

is the responsibility of the Gulf states alone. He added that only that system of peace, security and stability would be applicable which the states of the region themselves want to apply.

Zia pointed out that continuous crisis in world economic relations makes it imperative on the OIC to prepare short-term and long-term programs to reinforce the economics of the Islamic countries blessed with various types of natural resources. He called upon the conference to draft a statute for a body to work under the aegis of the OIC for the promotion of economic activity among the member countries.

The president urged the OIC to provide ways and means to ensure collective security of the Islamic nation. He also wanted it to mobilize human, financial and other resources of member countries for the development of science and technology in the Islamic world. In this behalf, he proposed the establishment of an Islamic Institute for Sciences.

Zia also said the Islamic world must urge the Reagan administration to put pressure on Israel for an end to its "aggression."

"The new American administration must be called upon to bring U.S. policy in line with the verdict of the world community, and

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Easing tensions cause gold price slump

LONDON, Jan. 26 (R) — The price of gold slumped Monday a wave of unexpected selling hit European bullion markets.

The metal fell to around \$529 an ounce, \$24 below its level Friday, and its lowest value since May last year. It later recovered slightly to \$533.

Much of the loss came in an hour's hectic trading this morning soon after European markets opened when it fell \$14. It had fallen overnight in Hong Kong to around \$543. The main reasons for the selling appeared to be a calmer international political climate and continued high interest rates in the United States, Market analysts said.

Some professional investors had bought gold in recent days because they expected a temporary price rise, but were now selling because of the fall, dealers said. This was adding to the selling pressure. The release of the U.S. hostages in Iran and signs of cooperation between government and workers in Poland were contributing to the easing of international tensions, dealers said.

No injuries were reported, Police said a woman chartered the helicopter and

Bundesbank had sold \$9.9 million to restrain the dollar's rise against the mark. The pound-sterling also continued to show strength Monday.

Gold was fixed in London Monday at 530.25 an ounce. It has fallen steadily from about \$576 last Wednesday.

The dollar strengthened against leading currencies, rising to 2.0490 West German marks from 2.0337 Friday and 1.8512 Swiss francs from 1.8395.

A fall in U.S. money supply announced Friday had not hurt the dollar because the figures contained considerable uncertainties, dealers said.

Earlier in Tokyo, the dollar closed at 202.20 yen from 201.50 at the close Friday. In later European trading, the dollar was quoted at 202.98 yen. "The dollar is extremely strong right now," said a foreign exchange dealer. "The main thing is simply that everybody's bullish."

During South African rains Rampaging river kills 190

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — More than 190 people died and several hundred were made homeless in western Cape province this weekend when the Buffalo river burst its banks after torrential rains, official sources said Monday.

South African radio reported earlier that just over 100 were feared dead, with many

hundreds stranded on rooftops.

The official sources said that the worst-hit area was the town of Lainsburg, in the desolate Karoo region. The town had been totally cut-off since Sunday afternoon. Two army helicopters dropped first supplies to survivors early Monday.

The storm raging over the province has been described as the worst since 1934, with roads and railroads interrupted and numerous bridges down. Railway services with the rest of South Africa were interrupted Sunday night and not expected to resume for two or three days.

Winds were blowing at 100 kms an hour off the Cape and Mossel Bay port, 300 kms east of here was closed Monday morning.

Defense Minister General Magnus Malan and Health Minister Lourens Munnik flew to the stricken areas Monday by helicopter to check the situation.

A journalist in Lainsburg said by radio telephone that the floods, the worst in memory, had caused millions of rand (dollars) worth of damage.

Police in Lainsburg said most of the town was under water. "It's like a battlefield," one policeman said. "Cars are piled on top of each other in the streets."

Meanwhile, heavy rains continued to lash southern Philippines Monday, inundating seven more towns, as the toll from the month-long floods in the region rose to 198, relief workers reported.

A Red Cross spokesman said the floods, triggered by downpours that began Dec. 19, had inundated the homes of 100,289 families affecting 700,734 persons. Several thousand were left homeless.

The official Philippine news agency (PNA) said at least 16 persons were missing. Damage was estimated at \$26.6 million.



ESCAPE ATTEMPT: A policeman uses a hook to retrieve a gun thrown onto the roof of a Manhattan jail during an escape attempt.

Fence foils jail escape bid

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (R) — A man and a woman hijacked a helicopter and flew to a federal prison here Sunday in an unsuccessful attempt to free a prisoner, police said. Police were not immediately certain which inmate was to be freed. After the bid failed about 20 prisoners seized a guard, but he escaped and they surrendered after a two-hour siege.

No injuries were reported, Police said a woman chartered the helicopter and

picked up a man, who ordered the pilot at gunpoint to fly above the roof of the prison in lower Manhattan.

The woman and the man tried to cut through a wire mesh fence over the roof with wirecutters. When they failed, they jumped into the helicopter, threw at least one gun to the rooftop and ordered the pilot to a heliport, where they released the pilot and fled.

U.S. prepares B-52 squadron Bombers readied for Gulf

OMAHA, Nebraska, Jan. 26 (AP) — The United States has equipped a squadron of B-52 bombers with non-nuclear weapons to counter any military threat to Gulf oil sources, the Omaha World-Herald reported.

In a copyright story, the newspaper said Sunday as many as 28 planes can be ready for action against Middle East targets within 36 hours after being ordered from their permanent bases in North Dakota. They would head to temporary bases as far away as Spain.

Lt. Gen. Lloyd R. Leavitt, vice commander-in-chief of the Strategic Air

Command, said the strike force also is made up of electronic reconnaissance and airborne command post planes. Leavitt added the B-52 VH, the last version of the bomber made before construction was halted, is being used because of its range of more than 12,800 kms without refueling. He said the bombers are from SAC's 57th air division and would be used for precision, low-level bombing missions.

He said the strike force has been tested in a domestic training exercise and would be able to respond quickly in case of a military flare-up in the Middle East or Southeast Asia.

British right-wing labor to split

LONDON, Jan. 26 (R) — Leading right-wingers in Britain's opposition Labor Party said Monday they were close to forming a breakaway Social Democratic Party.

"I think it is very close," said Dr. David Owen, a former foreign secretary. He said it would take a few months to muster support for a new party, primarily made up of labor politicians disgruntled with labor's leftward swing.

Dr. Owen, former Labor Ministers Shirley

Williams and Bill Rodgers and former European Common Market Commission President Roy Jenkins Sunday formed the Council for Social Democracy, a pressure group expected to develop into the new party. The four were having talks with other labor politicians to rally support for the council.

The move followed a victory by the left at a labor conference on Saturday which voted to give trade unions the largest voice in electing the party leader.

Polish workers plan action

WARSAW, Jan. 26 (AP) — Following two days of widespread warning strikes and massive worker absenteeism last Saturday, independent labor and farmers Monday were reported planning fresh job action and protests in several parts of Poland. At the same time three professional groups went on record appealing to the government and the trade union Solidarity to sit down and discuss outstanding issues.

A spokeswoman for the Warsaw area chapter of Solidarity, meanwhile, denied that the branch as a whole was considering a warning strike next Wednesday. But she said a brief stoppage would take place in Stier-niewice, south of here.

Asked to comment on a statement made by Solidarity's Gdansk headquarters that Warsaw was planning a strike, she said, "no. Maybe they don't know yet that we have delayed that until Feb. 3 when there will be a general strike alert." That strike alert is apparently supported by most area chapters of the organization, and a general warning strike may in fact be launched Feb. 3 unless there are talks with authorities to head off a new crisis.

Following miners and writers, architects Monday were said to have launched an appeal for government and Solidarity leaders to resume their talks on implementation of strike settlements. The architects' appeal, carried by Warsaw Radio in the morning, was made at a congress in Wroclaw ending Sunday.

Muslim leaders ponder U.N. action on Israel

TAIF, Jan. 26 (AP) — Leaders of the Muslim world pondered a proposal to freeze Israel's membership in the United Nations and give military aid to Palestinian movement.

A draft copy of a resolution approved by a pre-summit conference of foreign ministers was obtained by AP. The conference's strategy is to pressure Israel's friends into forcing the Zionist state to end its occupation of Arab lands seized in the 1967 Mideast war.

"Islamic states would use all their military, political, economic and natural resources — including oil as an effective means for upholding the national inalienable rights of the Palestinian people," said the document.

If approved by the conference, the Islamic countries would pledge to give "military expertise and equipment" to the Palestine Liberation Organization as well as coordinate with Arab states bordering Israel such as Syria.

Meanwhile, the Iranian Majlis (Parliament) Monday endorsed, with only one dissenting vote, the country's boycott of the Islamic summit in the Kingdom.

The Majlis approved a statement by speaker Hojatolislam Hashemi Rafsanjani spelling out Iran's objections to taking part in the conference.

A high-level mission of the Organization Islamic Conference visited Iran last week to try to persuade it to drop its boycott, but failed.

TV records opening

JEDDAH, Jan. 26 — If television ratings were taken Sunday they would have shown that the opening of the third Islamic summit conference in Mecca was the most watched program in Saudi Arabia for years.

Saudi Arabian television surpassed itself on the occasion and zeroed its cameras on every head of state as he arrived at the entrance of the holy mosque, then went on to give blanket coverage of the proceedings and the prayers inside.

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Military alliance rebuffed

TAIF, Jan. 26 (SPA) — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal said that Islamic countries do not intend to form a military pact like the NATO or Warsaw blocs.

Asked if Islamic countries intend to form a pact or force that would match the present nuclear era, Prince Saud said, "To the contrary. We seek disarmament, halt to arms race and non-proliferation of nuclear weapons in all countries of the world, minimize it until non-existence."

The foreign minister was speaking at a seminar on Saudi Arabian Television Sunday night. He said that preserving the independence and welfare of Islamic countries could only be achieved through collective work, protection against occupation and unifying policies on the international level.

The foreign minister described what the Western media calls the "Islamic bomb" as a fabricated Zionist campaign designed to incite imaginations and terrorize the international society from Islam.

He reiterated the necessity to confront the Zionist and Communist campaigns aimed at defacing Islam and Muslims. A regular and effective Islamic information plan is capable of showing Islam in its true picture. He expressed the hope about the future of Islamic solidarity which is based on sound principles and serves mankind.

Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, who took part in the seminar also said the Jerusalem issue will top the agenda of the Mecca summit. Muslims had been in charge of the holy city's affairs for more than 1,300 years and they are the only ones who should be the guardians of Jerusalem, he said.

Islamic countries unanimously demand the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan, he added. The OIC's efforts to



Prince Saud Al-Faisal



Habib Chatti

resolve the Afghan problem were met by a stubborn Soviet stand, he added.

In addition, he said the third Islamic Summit conference, held at an important stage of the Islamic and Arab community's history, will draw the guidelines, principles and conditions for a new start in joint Islamic action.

Prince Saud stressed Sunday night that there are some parts of the Muslim world like Palestine and Afghanistan still under occupation and he urged the need for joint Islamic action to confront and dangers and challenges.

The foreign minister reiterated his confidence that the document of liberating Jerusalem if approved by the conference, will state the objectives of the Islamic community in liberating the holy city and returning it to Arab sovereignty. The document was prepared by the Jerusalem Committee headed by the Moroccan monarch King Hassan, he said.

Military academy graduation held

RIYADH, Jan. 26 (SPA) — Riyadh Governor Prince Salman attended a ceremony at King Abdul Aziz Military Academy to mark the graduation of a class of university officers here Monday.

Brig. Abdul Wahab Qarmali, assistant

commander of the academy, called on the graduates to work honestly and continue serious training. He urged the officers to become an example of hard work for the progress and development of the Saudi Arabian Army that will always be under the banner of Jihad (holy struggle).

The graduates undertook the oath before Col. Nasser Al-Arfaj, head of education at the academy, announced the results. Col. Arafaj explained the basic functions of the academy saying that it admits holders of secondary school certificates and qualifies them militarily, academically and physically for work in the armed forces.

Prince Salman reiterated that the armed forces' duties are more sacred than those of an ordinary citizen. Their duty is to defend the religion, nation and people, he added. He visited the war museum at the college that comprises various weapons, including some from the reign of the late King Abdul Aziz.

The governor was received at the academy by Sheikh Osman Al-Humaid, assistant minister of defense and aviation, and other senior military officials.

Inner rifts to be solved during talks, leaders say

TAIF, Jan. 26 (SPA) — Ruler of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah said that the expected results of the third Islamic Summit conference will meet the aspirations of the Islamic community.

Speaking after the opening session held at Islam's holiest shrine, the Kaaba, Sheikh Jaber said that opening in the conference in the holy place will have a great effect on Muslim leaders in achieving unity and rebutting differences.

Yasser Arafat, chairman of the executive committee of the Palestine liberation organization, described King Khaled's opening speech as "very important", especially the king's remarks about Jerusalem and mobilizing all resources to liberate the holy city.

"The opening of the conference in Mecca was a good omen for a collective start from here, to liberate the Aqsa Mosque," Arafat said.

Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, described the opening of the conference at the holy Kaaba as a "wonderful and unique scene." He hailed King Khaled's opening statement saying that the king had concentrated on the firm Islamic principles that call on Muslims to defend their religion, culture and interests of their community.

The statement also stressed the need for Islamic solidarity, Chatti said. King Khaled has reminded Muslims of the Almighty's orders to unite, be one community and not be divided, Chatti added.

King Hussain of Jordan said the opening of the conference was a great event that reminds Muslims of the glorious past of Islam and opens the minds to the bright future. "We belong to the Islamic community that has had a deep-rooted history for centuries armed with faith and patience," the king said.

Ruler of Qatar Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad Al-Thani said the opening of the conference was a scene that will not be forgotten by Muslims around the world. Muslim leaders also will not let the greatness and sanctity of the place that gives power, and a complete sense of sovereignty pass by them. "It was a great day in a great place," he concluded.

Ruler of Bahrain Sheikh Issa bin Salman Al-Khalifa said that there was nothing greater than the meeting at the opening session. It will be talked about for generations because nothing like had happened before, he added.

The Muslim leaders, in addition to their meeting around the holy Kaaba, are gathering for a great objective, Sheikh Issa said. "I don't think that any of the leaders who attended this glorious event would fail to use the meeting for the interest of Muslims and Islam", he added.

Generations of the Islamic community expect us to assure them of their future and prove that we are at the level of our responsibilities," Sheikh Issa said. He expressed optimism on the results of the conference and said the Islamic community is optimistic in the future.

Metric standard to be enforced

DAMMAM, Jan. 26 (SPA) — The Quality Control Laboratory of Dammam decided Monday to enforce the metric standard specifications for stating the net contents of juice and liquid foodstuffs as of May 5, officials reported.

Ahmad Alawi Qassem, director of the laboratory, said the laboratory will refuse imports that do not apply the instructions of the Ministry of Commerce. The instructions necessitate specifying the net contents of foodstuffs — volume in metric standards for liquids and weight for solid items.

COMMENT

By Ahmed Tashkeedi
Al-Bilad

It was the joy of a lifetime when one day I read about the government's approval of the establishment of a university in Mecca, to be called the University of Umm Al-Qura.

Despite the fact that there are six universities already functioning in the country, it was a matter of immense pleasure to learn about the addition of one more to the existing ones. Mecca, its old name being Umm Al-Qura, richly deserves a full-fledged university, for it has the Holy Kaaba to which Muslims all over the world turn five times a day in prayer to Almighty God.

I remember Sheikh Saleh Muhammad Jamal was among the first who wrote about it, suggesting that colleges functioning in Mecca as affiliate to King Abdul Aziz University of Jeddah be merged to set up new colleges. Thereafter, an integrated administrative, technical and academic body must be formed and be given the name of the University of Umm Al-Qura. The idea of this university was appreciated and approved by King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd.

What we now hope and request from the government, mainly from Minister of Higher Education Sheikh Hassan Abdullah Al-Sheikh, to have an integrated administrative and academic body set up for correct supervision and management of the affairs of teachers and students alike. Meanwhile, the authorities concerned could benefit from the human potentialities active in the spheres of teaching and management of university affairs, in the light of previous experiences in other universities of the Kingdom.

I will continue to pray for the success of everyone who contributes his might in the education of Muslims in this country and every other country of the Islamic world.



CONFERENCE: Lebanese President Elias Sarkis (center) discusses problems in Lebanon with U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim.

Lebanese problem discussed

TAIF, Jan. 26 (R) — Lebanese President Elias Sarkis and United Nations Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim discussed Lebanon and the Middle East in general at a meeting Sunday night, officials said.

The Lebanese leader and President Hafez Al-Assad of Syria also discussed the Lebanese crisis during talks, the officials added, but gave no details.

The two presidents and Waldheim are here for the summit organized by the Islamic Conference Organization with kings, heads of state and senior officials from 37 countries attending.

Lebanon is one of the topics due to be discussed at the summit. Syria has an estimated 30,000 troops in Lebanon, sent there as part of an Arab deterrent force at the height of the civil war.

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Ishraq	7.00	7.05	6.37	6.27	6.51	7.24
Dhuhur	12.24	12.34	12.06	11.52	12.17	12.47
Assr	3.45	3.42	3.13	2.57	3.22	3.48
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Kuwait ruler to visit Aden

ADEN, Jan. 26 (AP) — Sheikh Jaber Ahmad al Sabah, the ruler of Kuwait, will visit South Yemeni President Ali Nasser Muhammad here next month, it has been announced. They will discuss security matters in the Middle East as well as the Palestinian question, the announcement said.

Other topics are to include ways of strengthening economic operation between Kuwait, which lies at the northern end of the Gulf, and South Yemen, which caps the southwestern corner of the Arabian peninsula.

Egypt blames Israel for autonomy impasse

CAIRO, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali has said that Israel was responsible for the impasse in negotiations on Palestinian autonomy. Ali said Sunday that the talks had achieved no results "because of Israel's attitude on the interpretation of the Camp David accords, decisions on the status of Jerusalem and continuation of its settlement policy."

The foreign minister repeated Egypt's condemnation of Libyan intervention in Chad, which, he said, "constitutes a danger for neighboring African countries and especially the Sudan." He also noted that Egypt and the Sudan are linked by a common defense agreement.

Ali also urged countries that are major arms suppliers to refrain from providing Libya with sophisticated weapons. He made his comments to reporters shortly before beginning talks with visiting Italian Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo.

Calling him the "godfather" of Europe's Middle East peace moves, Ali praised Colombo for the role he played as head of the European Parliament.

Ali said he looked forward to his talks with Colombo "whom we picture as the godfather of the Venice declaration," the Middle East News Agency reported Sunday.

European heads of state who met in Venice last June to be known as the European initiative. Its two main principles call for the guarantee of security for all parties in the

area, whether Arabs or Israelis, and the recognition of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people.

"We are fully aware that Colombo was the force behind the Venice declaration, with his efforts and his political strength, which reaffirms Italy's role in the European community and its objective appraisal of the Middle East problem," MENA quoted Ali as saying.

Ali said the European initiative did not replace the U.S.-sponsored Camp David accords, and was not in conflict with them, "and that's why we gave it our blessing," the agency reported.

Turning to the call for a summit between U.S. President Ronald Reagan, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Premier Menachem Begin to get the stalled talks started again, Ali said the new American administration had yet to settle in, and Israel was facing early elections that may change the government. So any summit meetings would not take place till autumn of this year.

Colombo spoke to reporters after the meeting, which concentrated mostly on the Middle East and the European initiative.

Asked about the role the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) could play in the negotiations aimed at granting self-rule to 1.5 Palestinians living in the occupied territories,



Kamal Hassan Ali

Colombo said the Venice declaration "affirms the necessity of the PLO's participation in setting the final decisions," MENA reported.

Meanwhile, a joint Israeli-Egyptian military committee began a five-day meeting here Sunday to discuss arrangement for the last stage of the Israeli pullout from Sinai, Cairo television reported. But Ali quoted by MENA said the 36th session of the joint committee will also discuss replacing border marks that were removed or destroyed by weather conditions.

Shimon Peres says

Time running out for peace

PARIS, Jan. 26 (AFP) — Arabs and Israelis have "no other choice but peace" and time is running out to strike a Middle East settlement, Israeli opposition Labor Party leader Shimon Peres has said. Peres, who opinion polls say will be Israel's next prime minister, told French radio Sunday that the dangers of the "nuclear" option and a Soviet intervention were weighing down on the Middle East.

"There is not much time left for the region to turn toward peace," said Peres, now on a

tour of several European capitals. He said that a Labor government would respect both "the spirit and letter" of peace agreements signed by Prime Minister Menachem Begin's government. But now is the time to "find better solutions".

Peres defended the tendency of Jews to settle anywhere they liked but reiterated his party's view that it was not necessary to start Jewish settlements in the midst of thickly populated Arab zones.

BRIEFS

MEXICO CITY, (AP) — Mexico is not interested in buying Israeli Kfir fighter planes, according to a report published Sunday in the official government newspaper *El Nacional*. The report quotes Mexican Defense Minister Felix Galvan Lopez as saying that the Israeli planes are too costly and too difficult to maintain and that the defense ministry is considering the purchase of American F-5 fighters instead.

ROME, (AP) — Egyptian Vice Premier for Economic and Financial Affairs Abdul Razzak Abdul Meguid arrived here Sunday for five days of talks with Italian officials about investment in Egypt. He was met at the

airport by Eduardo Speranza, Italy's under-secretary for foreign affairs.

ISLAMABAD, (AP) — A Pakistani woman was sentenced Monday to 30 lashes and a five-year jail term on charges of committing adultery. The punishment was announced by an Islamic court at Attock, 96 kilometers west of Islamabad.

BELGRADE, (AFP) — Libyan Planning Minister Moussa Frecva arrived here Sunday to take part in a joint Libyan-Yugoslav committee for economic, scientific and technical cooperation which began work in Belgrade Monday.

After release of hostages

France lifts sanctions against Iran

PARIS, Jan. 26 (R) — France has formally lifted economic sanctions imposed against Iran last May over the continued detention of the American hostages who have now been freed. The decision was announced in a government decree published during the weekend in the official gazette.

There was no special statement by the government which had said it would follow last week's decision by the Common Market foreign ministers to end the sanctions, but without undue haste. The sanctions banned trade with Iran in goods other than food and medical supplies.

Three killed

Clashes renewed in Beirut suburb

BEIRUT, Jan. 26 (R) — Three persons were killed and six wounded in renewed clashes between two rival armed groups in a southern Beirut suburb, the Arab peace-keeping force said Sunday night. The clashes began Friday between men of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine — General Command (PFLP-GC) and the Lebanese Muslim Shite Amal organization.

in that encounter and a statement issued by the Arab Detachment Force (ADF) said the shooting flared up again Sunday in the Shiyah district, near Beirut airport, resulting in a similar number of casualties.

Rocket-propelled grenades and automatic weapons were used in the fighting which finally ended following ADF intervention, the statement added.

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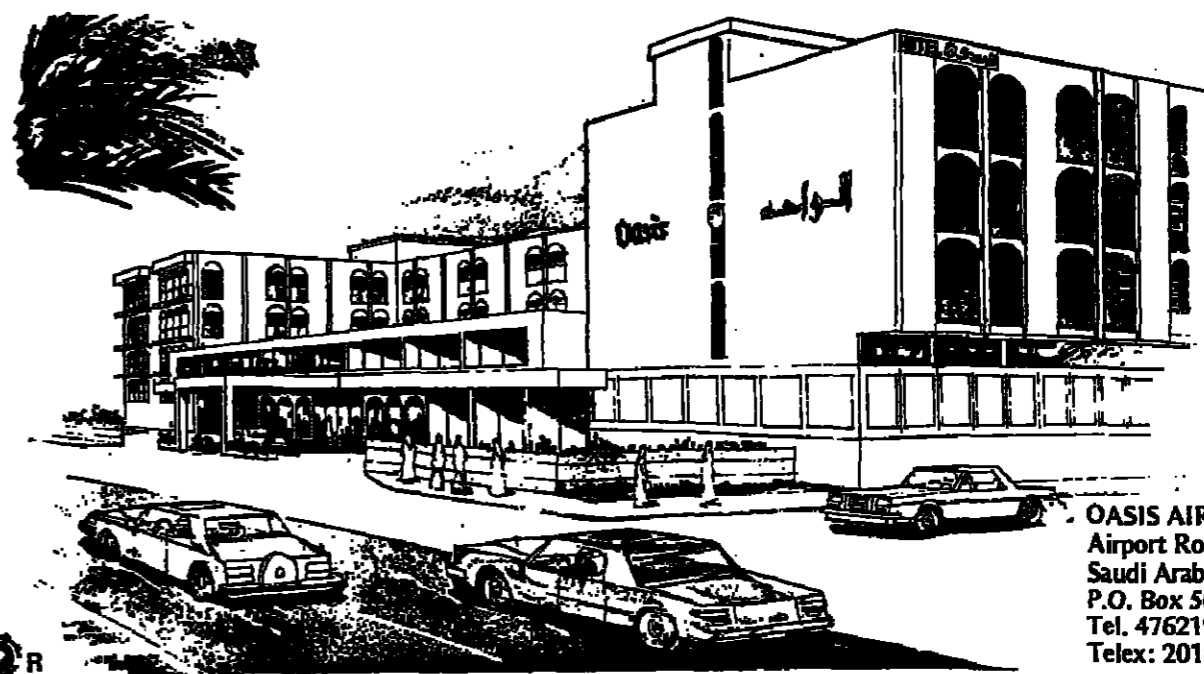
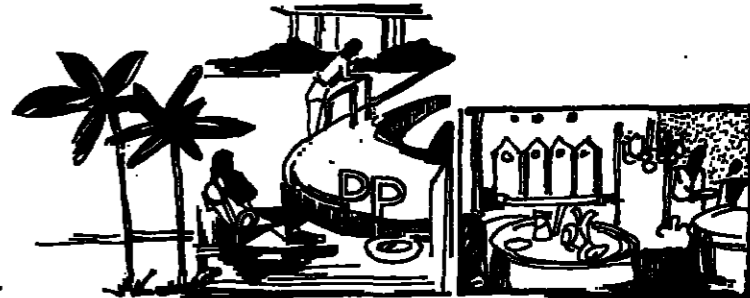
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Corruption probe

Minister, top official sacked in Tanzania

DAR ES SALAAM, Jan. 26 (R) — Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere is to continue a major investigation into high-level corruption and incompetence which has already led to arrest of two leading businessmen and the sacking of a minister. The central committee of the ruling Revolutionary Party, which has been meeting for 10 days under Nyerere's chairmanship, was due to take up the matter Monday, a government source said.

A statement from the president's office Friday announced he had sacked Transport and Communications Minister Augustine Mwingira and the head of the national airline, Lawrence Mmasi, for "at the very least a massive mishandling of an international business arrangement." The statement also confirmed the detention two weeks ago under presidential order of two prominent Asian businessmen, Akbar Rajpar and Abdul Haji, for what the statement described as certain actions which had undermined or endangered the good repute of Tanzania in its foreign transactions and called into question the integrity of certain public institutions and public leaders.

The sacking of Mwingira and Mmasi follows a scandal over the leasing by Air Tanzania Corporation (ATC) of two old Boeing aircraft from a Beirut-based businessman. The planes, a 707 and a 720, were intended to form the basis of an intercontinental service linking Dar Es Salaam with London and Karachi. They were plagued with breakdowns and last November, after only a few months in service, the airline announced they

were being grounded and long-haul flights canceled indefinitely. The board of directors said the deal was the biggest contributory factor in the airline's crippling problems.

The statement said Tanzania's difficulties were primarily caused by external factors. But it added that Nyerere had stated that "the difficulties experienced by the people were being made worse by our own failures in leadership, as well as by dishonesty or even corruption involving both public officers and private citizens."

China hails verdict on Jiang Qing

PEKING, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — The official Chinese press Monday hailed the suspended death sentence imposed on Mao Tse-tung's widow Jiang Qing as a just verdict but indicated that it should not be taken as an implicit condemnation of her late husband.

The special court trying the deposed radical "gang of four" led by Jiang Qing Sunday condemned her and former Shanghai Communist Party boss Zhang Chunqiao to death with a two-year reprieve. The two other members of the so-called gang, former party vice-chairman Wang Hongwen and propagandist Yao Wenyuan were sentenced to life imprisonment and 20 years, respectively.

The party newspaper *People's Daily* said the crimes the gang committed during the cultural revolution of 1966-76 should not be confused with errors made by the leadership, a clear reference to Mao's role in the tumultuous decade.



Julius Nyerere

It said the cultural revolution was a "complex phenomenon in the history of society and consisted both of destruction caused by the counter-revolutionary cliques led by (former defense minister) Lin Biao and Jiang Qing and also of errors committed by the party leadership." He added: "If we confuse these two matters which are different in character, we will not be able to correctly sum up the lessons we have drawn from the experience."

Apart from the gang of four, the defendants in the recent trial consisted of Mao's former political secretary Chen Boda and five senior military officers. They were given jail sentences of 16 to 18 years.

The widow of China's late President Liu Shaoqi, Wang Guangmei, has welcomed the sentence imposed on Jiang Qing. She said the sentence reflected the will of the people, the *People's Daily* reported. Wang spent years in detention during the cultural revolution (1966 to 1976) and her husband had died in jail. His wish had now been carried out, she told the paper.

European security talks begin in Madrid today

MADRID, Jan. 26 (R) — The European security conference, barometer of East-West détente, moves into its decisive second phase here Tuesday with the prospect of worthwhile agreement looking remote.

Delegates return to the Madrid Congress Palace after the New Year recess with little sign of a thaw in the daily international climate and a tougher line expected from the new Reagan administration in Washington.

The 35 participating states — the United States, Canada, the Soviet Union and all Europe except Albania — have set them-

selves a tight, five-week schedule to wade through a sea of proposals on how to save détente. March 5 is the target date for a concluding statement to be agreed. But on past experience, few believe that this is realistic and the general expectation is that the meeting will drag on into April, if not later.

Eighty-three proposals were tabled toward the end of the first conference phase, which was mainly devoted to a review of the way members lived up to their commitments as signatories of the 1975 Helsinki accord.

The review unleashed a flood of Western criticism of the Soviet Union for its human rights record and military intervention in Afghanistan. Western delegates said their repeated references to Afghanistan were also designed to make the Kremlin think twice about intervening in Poland. The Soviet delegation soaked up the criticism and bided its time in the first phase.

Now, say Western delegates, the boot is on the other foot. The Soviets and their East European allies say their proposals are designed to breathe new life into détente. If the West rejects them out of hand, then it would be accused of plunging the détente process into deeper crisis. The main East bloc proposal is for a new European disarmament conference, which would include the 35 states taking part in the Madrid conference.

Western delegations are less than enthusiastic about the plan, tabled by Poland. They believe the Soviets want a disarmament conference mainly so that they can make ringing declarations about their good intentions, and that little of substance would emerge.

Thai soldier killed in Viet firing

BANGKOK, Jan. 26 (AFP) — Thai and Vietnamese troops exchanged artillery and mortar fire across the tense Thai-Kampuchean frontier early Monday after a Vietnamese platoon attacked a listening post about 1,000 meters inside Thai territory.

One Thai soldier was killed in the three-hour exchange. Supreme command spokesman Lt-Gen. Som Katapan said the Vietnamese platoon, about 10-strong, attacked the listening post some 30 miles north of the key Thai border town of Aranyaprathet about 3:30 a.m. Monday.

The Vietnamese attacked with rockets and hand grenades, and the three Thai soldiers at the listening station retreated. The Thais bombarded the Vietnamese with mortars and artillery, and the fire was returned. Fighting died down about 6:30 a.m.

"The Vietnamese soldiers moved back across the border in the dark, and it was impossible to estimate casualties on their side," Lt-Gen. Som said. The attack came at San Loc Changan, formerly a "land bridge" distribution point where international relief agencies gave out food and equipment to Kampuchean civilians.

Quakes jolt Ayacucho

LIMA, Jan. 26 (AFP) — Three earthquakes Sunday shook the town of Ayacucho and the surrounding region, 610 miles southeast of here. No deaths were reported in the town, which has a population of 30,000, but several buildings were heavily damaged. About 50 earthquakes of varying intensity have jolted Ayacucho since November.

Threat to peace

Zhao Ziyang blames Russia

PEKING, Jan. 26 (AFP) — Chinese Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang left here Monday for official visits to Burma and Thailand after indirectly accusing Vietnam and the Soviet Union of threatening peace in southeast Asia.

In a brief statement to journalists before boarding his plane, Zhao attacked "the collusion of world hegemonists and of regional

hegemonists" who he said were seriously threatening the peace, security and stability of southeast Asia. Although he did not specifically name Moscow and Hanoi, the expression "world hegemonist" in China's political vocabulary denotes the Soviet Union and "regional hegemonist" means Vietnam.

Zhao's visit to Burma, his first foreign trip since he became prime minister September, comes on the heels of visits by Burmese Foreign Minister La, Maung to Hanoi and Bangkok. Lay Maung's talks in Hanoi last week with Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach sparked speculation of a possible new political initiative in Indochina, particularly over Kampuchea where the Hanoi-bolstered Heng Samrin regime is still battling guerrillas of the Khmer Rouge regime. Zhao was accompanied on his trip by Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua, who is also a vice-premier, and a deputy foreign minister, Han Nainlong, who handles Asian questions at the ministry. The Chinese Premier will be in Rangoon until Friday, when he will go to Bangkok for a 48-hour visit.

The London-based human rights organization, Amnesty International, has appealed to China to commute the death sentences passed on Jiang Qing and Zhang Chunqiao. In a telegram sent to Peking, amnesty urged the standing committee of the National People's Congress to exercise its powers of commutation. The organization said in a statement that the trials of the condemned "failed to meet internationally agreed standards for a fair trial in which the accused are presumed innocent until proved guilty."

Meanwhile, in an unrelated development, Lin Hujia has been replaced as mayor of Peking, apparently because he disagreed with the state authorities over development plans for the Chinese capital, diplomatic sources said Monday. His successor is Jiao Ruoyu, a vete-

Oldest American dies

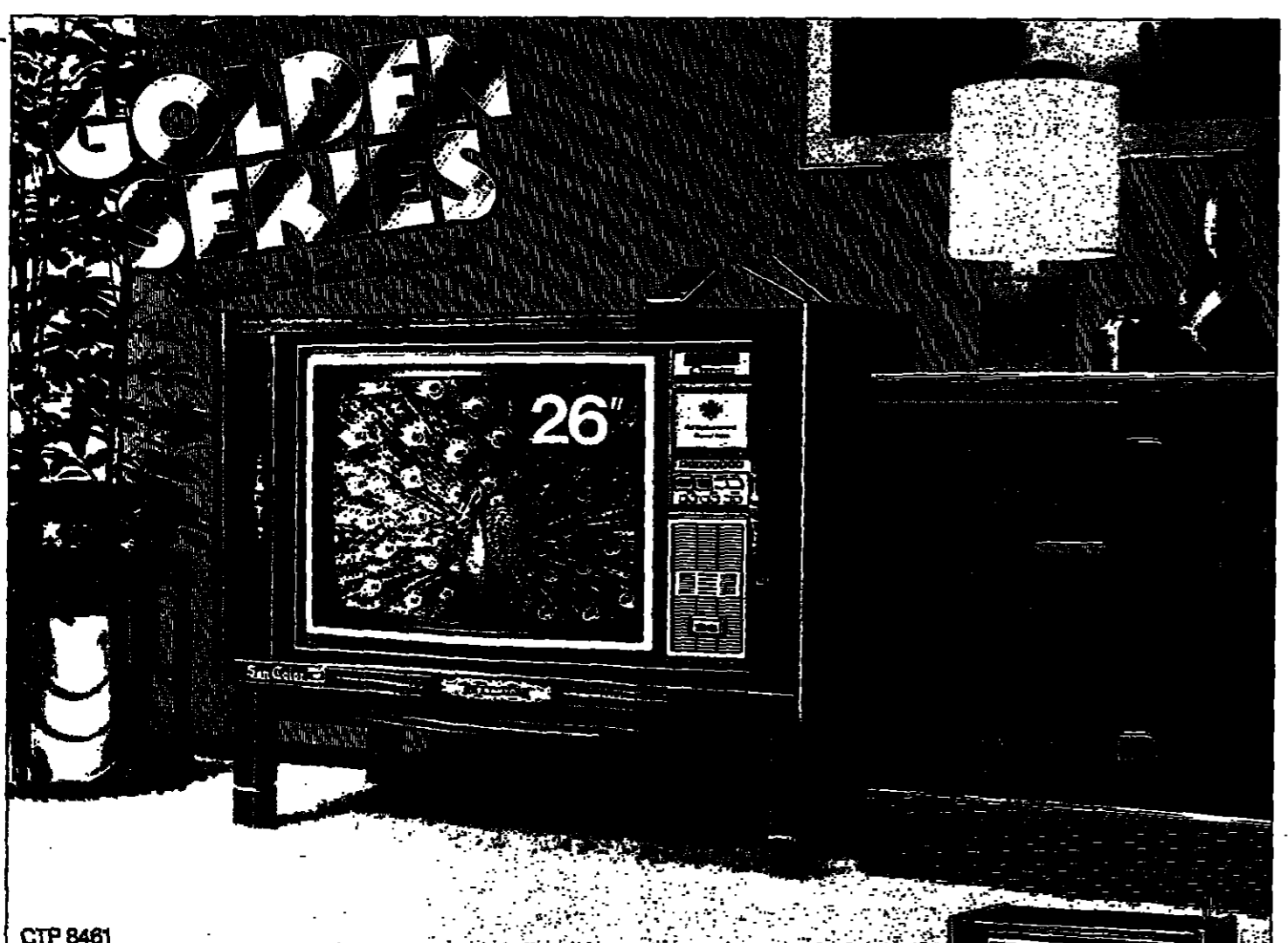
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 26 (R) — Fanny Thomas, believed to have been the oldest living American, has died here at the age of 113, a niece said Monday. Miss Thomas once said her recipe for a long life was to eat apple sauce three times a day and never to marry.

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Jim Plunkett guides Oakland to second Super Bowl triumph

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 26 (AP) — Oakland's Jim Plunkett wrote a storybook and record-breaking ending to his remarkable comeback season Sunday with three touchdowns — one of them an 80-yarder — that led the renege Raiders to a 27-10 Super Bowl victory over the Philadelphia Eagles.

Plunkett, named the game's most valuable player, threw scoring strikes of two yards to Bruce and a record 80-yard play to King in the first quarter. Those two, Branch's 29-yard touchdown catch in the quarter, gave Oakland its second Super Bowl triumph. And it made the Raiders the wild-card team to win the National Football League Championship.

It was also the ultimate triumph for Al Davis, the owner of the Raiders, the man commissioner Pete Rozelle called "an outlaw" who rescued Plunkett and so many teammates from the ash heap.

The game was also a tribute to the 52 hostages, who returned to the United States after being held captive in Iran for 444 days earlier in the year. The superdome wore a yellow bow, the players wore a strip of tape on their helmets, the field was yellow stripes on their sleeves and the crowd of 75,500 wore yellow scarves.

Philadelphia quarterback Ron Jaworski intercepted three times by linebacker Martin — a Super Bowl record by the reclamation project — and completed 38 passes for 291 yards. Oakland's nearly flawless game.

Plunkett, sacked eight times by the Eagles in 10-7 regular-season victory over Philadelphia, received virtually no protection this time. He completed 11 passes for 261 yards and was trapped in the line just once.

In the exception of Tony Franklin's 107-yard field goal in the second period, the play belonged to the Raiders. On the day of the game, Martin stepped in for John Spagnola, swiped Jaworski's passes of the day and ran the ball 17 yards to Philadelphia's 30-yard line.

Running plays and an offside call by Eagles middle guard Carl Hairston for 11 yards, then Plunkett passed for 140 yards, then Plunkett passed for 140 yards, then Plunkett passed for 140 yards, then Plunkett passed for 140 yards.

again and the wide receiver, sandwiched between linebacker John Bunting and cornerback Herman Edwards, caught the scoring pass with 6:04 gone in the game.

With running star Wilbert Montgomery being stopped almost in his tracks on play after play and with Jaworski's passes still off target, the Eagles went nowhere with their second possession neither did the Raiders.

Then, Philadelphia, with the ball on its own 37-yard line followed Ray Guy's second less-than-awesome punt, moved to the Oakland 40, thanks in part to Jaworski's 13-yard pass to Montgomery. On third-and-10, Jaworski unloaded a bomb toward the right corner of the end zone. Rodney Parker, sharing a wide receiver spot with Charlie Smith, who was playing with a broken jaw, ran away from cornerback Odis McKinney and safety Burgess Owens to catch the ball. But it wasn't a touchdown.

Harold Carmichael, the other wide receiver, had been in motion on the play. And when he cut forward an instant before the snap of the ball, he drew a penalty, wiping out the potential tying score. One incompletion later, the Eagles gave up the ball, three plays after that, the rout was on.

On third-and-4 from the Oakland 20-yard line, Plunkett dropped back, then scrambled out of danger to his left. He threw to King, being guarded around the left sideline by Herman Edwards. The Eagles' cornerback tried for a deflection, got only air, and King got the ball at the Eagles' 39.

Sixty-one yards later, King had a touchdown and a Super Bowl record and the Raiders, with nine seconds remaining in the opening period, had a 14-0 lead. Franklin's field goal, with 4:32 gone in the second period, brought the Philadelphia faithful back to life, coming after Jaworski had driven the Eagles 61 yards in nine plays to the Oakland 13.

Chris Bahr, who kicked second-half field goals of 46 and 35 yards, had an opportunity to restore the Raiders' 14-point lead with about 3½ minutes to go in the second quarter. But his attempt from 45 yards away was wide to the right. Once again it appeared the Eagles were on their way to a score. And once again, just as they had botched it on the pass to Parker, they blew it on their final play of the first half.

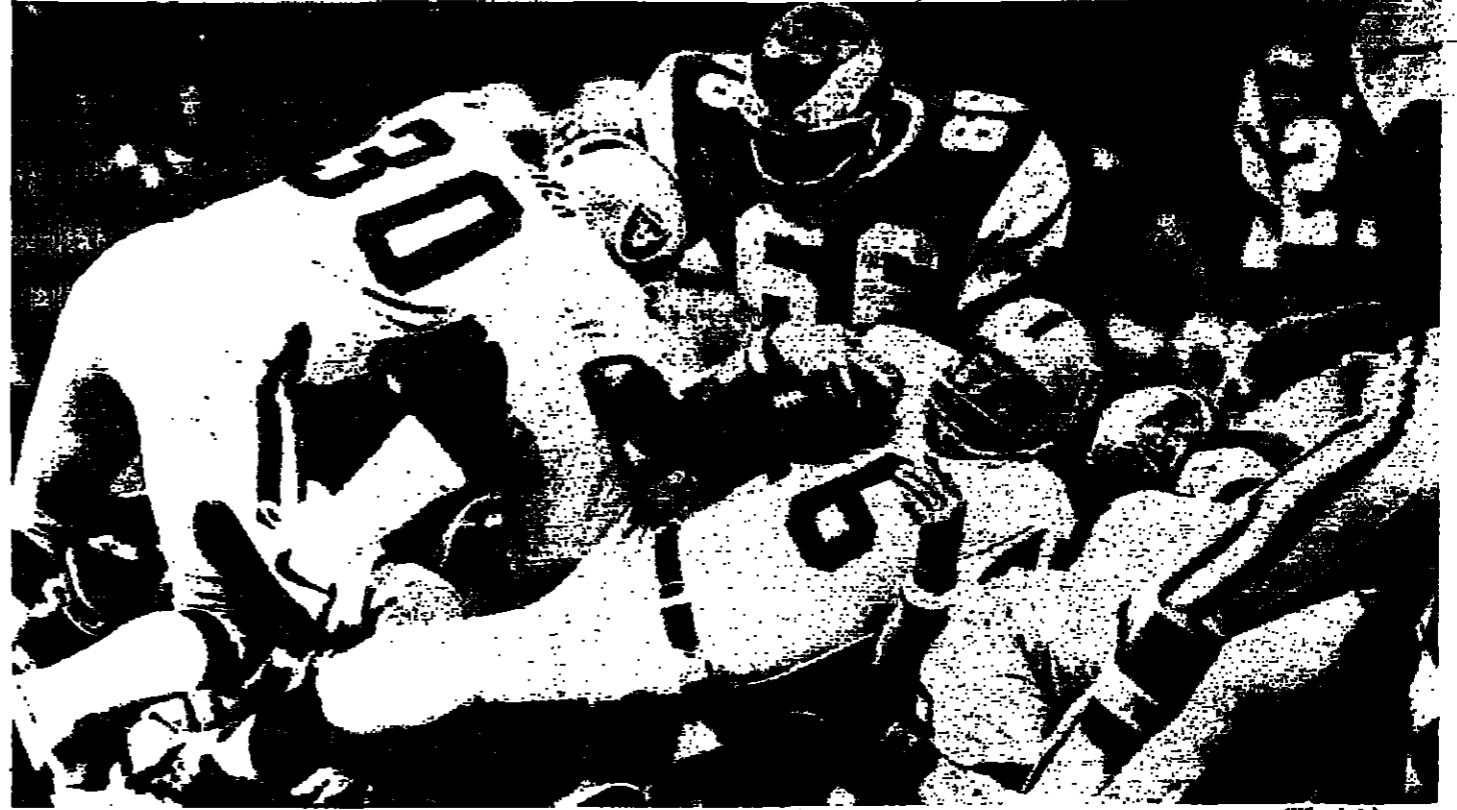
Jaworski hooked up with the 6-foot-8 Carmichael on passes of 29 and 14 yards, then hit Montgomery on a 16-yard pass, taking Philadelphia to within 11 yards of the end zone. The Eagles stalled there, and out came the barefooted Franklin for what looked to

be a sure three points.

But his kick was low and Ted Hendricks, the free-wheeling linebacker who controls the Oakland defense, jumped high and batted the ball down. The first half belonged to Plunkett. The 10-year veteran completed five of eight passes for 118 yards in the first two periods while Jaworski found his mark on only 9 of 22.

On the third play of the second half, Plunkett completed a 13-yard pass to King. On the next play, he found Bob Chandler sprinting down the left side, a step behind rookie defensive back Roynell Young, for a 32-yard completion to the Eagles' 33.

Two plays after that, the lead mush-roomed to 21-3. Branch and Young raced stride for stride toward the left goal line. Plunkett put the ball up. They both went for it. But Branch stepped in front and wrenched the ball away from Young, lunging the final yard into the end zone. It was, as it turned out, the crowning achievement in this game, one which Plunkett never thought in his wildest dreams that he would ever play in.



CRASH: Jim Plunkett, the Oakland quarterback, crashes into the Philadelphia defenders attempting a 1st down during the Super Bowl match Sunday.

76ers scrape past Suns

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (AP) — Philadelphia's 76ers used their fast-break to open a quick 10-point lead and head by as many as 18 points before ring. But even though they failed to hit the final 4½ minutes, the got clutch foul shooting from Lionel and Maurice Cheeks and managed 101 on a 98-93 National Basketball Association victory over the Phoenix Suns.

In other games, the Boston Celtics beat the Seattle SuperSonics 115-106, the Washington Bullets defeated the New Jersey Nets 118-100 and the Portland Trail Blazers stopped the San Antonio Spurs 118-100.

Celtics 115, Sonics 106: Robert Parish scored 32 points and grabbed 17 rebounds as the Celtics rolled to their 12th win in a row and 24th in the last 25 games to remain just one game behind Philadelphia in the Atlantic Division race. Seattle, has now lost five in a row.

Bullets 118, Nets 100: Mitch Kupchak scored 16 of his 30 points in the fourth quarter when Washington outscored the nets 41-24 to win. Kupchak's basket put the Bullets ahead to stay 83-82 and he started a 9-0 surge that broke the game open.

Doshi restricts Aussies

PERLAIDE, Jan. 26 (AFP) — Australia's overall lead of 274 runs with six centuries wickets standing at stumps on the day of the second Test against India at Adelaide Oval. Australia was four for its second innings with Kim Hughes 53 and Doug Walters 13 not out.

Left spin bowling by Dilip Doshi prevented Australia from taking a firm hold on the game when he captured three wickets for 28 immaculate overs, dismissing Graham Wood (5), Greg Chappell and Allan Border (7).

Doshi's undoubtedly magnificent name which restricted Australia to 15 in more than four hours frequently during this afternoon. Australia's captain Greg Chappell said "we were batting as we could in the conditions. We had to be bowled out ourselves. We

had to make sure we were in a position where we could win the game. I don't fancy our chances of bowling India out that wicket Tuesday, but I will see what happens in the first hour".

Earlier, Sandeep Patil became India's highest run scorer against Australia when he finished with 174 in a magnificent five hour performance which contained a six and 22 boundaries. But Dennis Lillee kept the Indians under constant threat to finish with four wickets. He now has 241 wickets in Tests, only seven behind Richie Benaud's Australian record.

Brief scores: Australia 528 and 165 for 4 (J. Dyson 28, G. Chappell 52, K. Hughes batting 53; D. Doshi 3 for 27) vs India 419 (S. Gavaskar 23, C. Chauhan 97, S. Patil 174, Y. Sharma 47; Lillee 4 for 80, Hogg 2 for 100, Yardley 2 for 90, Pascoe 2 for 62).

Shahid strikes deadly

By Staff Writer

DAH, Jan. 26 — Yellow Rose continued to move up the Alreza Cricket table, beating SAPL Int. by two wickets, despite losing their opening 7 for no runs.

Week, Rose also lost their openers when beating Sikander by two wickets saw them plunge to 49 for 7 as used SAPL's total of 81. Saut eventually them through with an unbeaten SAPL paying the high price for him when his innings was still Zafar (SAPL) took 5 for 13 while Yellow Rose took 5 for 24.

Weekend saw two records. Shahid took eight wickets against SAPL 1 record so far this season, and Sikander the lowest ever score when 17 all out against NAI. SAPL Green first and Majid (46) and Sharif (28) in a good start. Hammed then contributed, but with the loss of these three 1, SAPL, collapsed completely finding themselves 154 all out. Shahid took the hit wickets for 65 runs.

Yak Jeddah batting followed a similar as the first four batsmen got most of 8 runs, but the middle and tail-enders did almost nothing and allowed Green their first win this season.

Under, the 1977 Binzager and 1980 Continental Cup holders crashed miserably against NAI, at one stage losing four

wickets without adding a single run. Their total of 17 was overtaken by NAI for the loss of only one wicket. Sikander fielded only eight men, as they did last week.

Indian embassy and Hochtiel, who were lying ninth and tenth on the league table played a close match, Indian Emb. moving further ahead with a seven-run victory. Indians batted first and Arshad (41) and Mazzam (46) helped them to 149 for 7 in the 40 overs. Gulraiz took 6 for 55 in a 17-over spell.

Maqsood and Nasser then kept the Hochtiel batting down to a slow rate and good fielding saw four Hochtiel men run out trying to grab extra runs. Gulraiz (25) and Perviaz (26) built up the Hochtiel total but the collapse of the lower order batsmen saw them all out seven short of their goal.

Dujon slams century

TRINIDAD, Jan. 26 (AP) — A sparkling unbeaten 105 by 24-year-old Jeffrey Dujon helped the West Indies Cricket Board President's XI total 320 on the third day of the four day cricket match against England on Monday.

England, who scored 483 for six declared in their first innings, were 128 for two in their second knock with Geoff Boycott unbeaten on 75.

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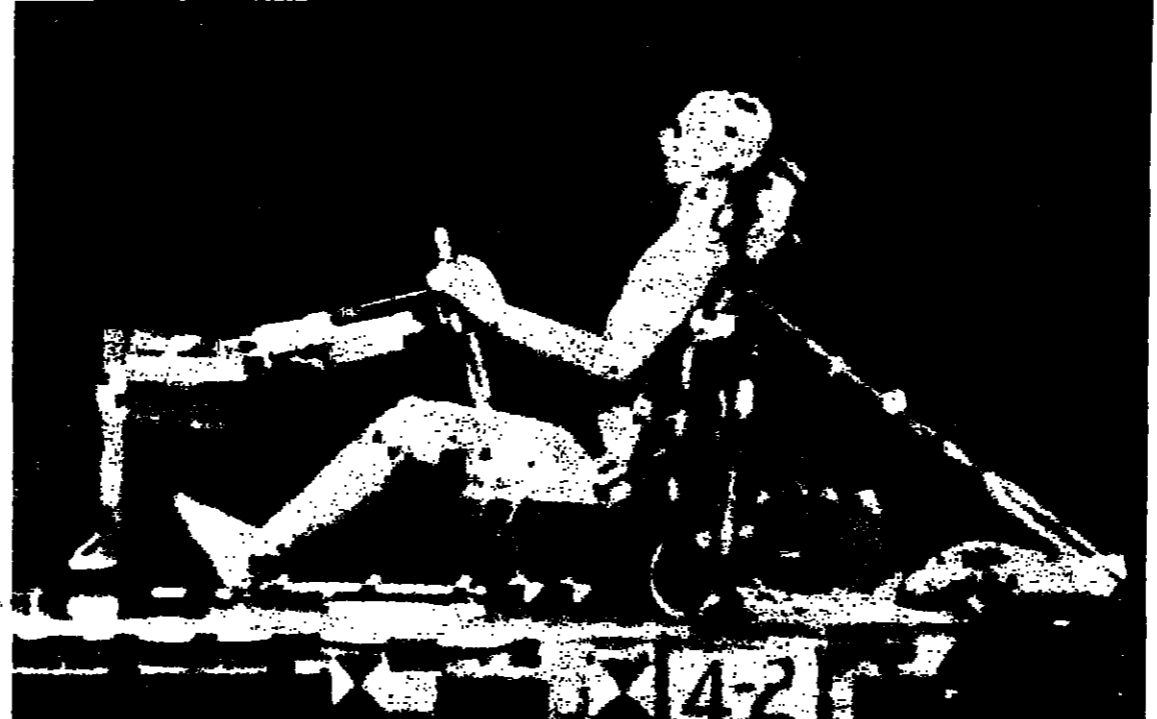
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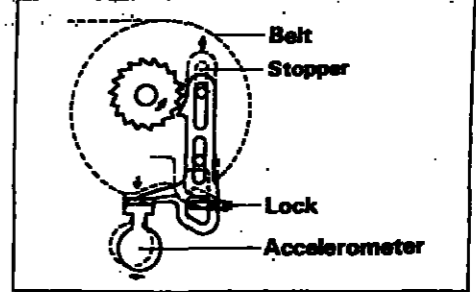
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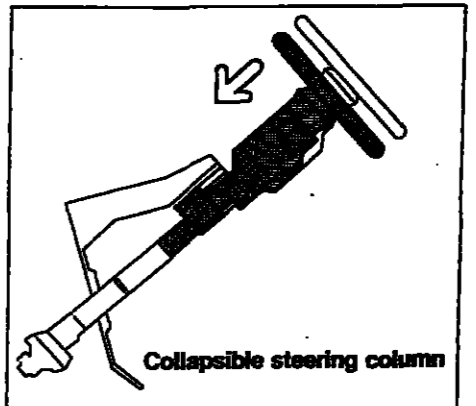
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Ugandan coffee flows again

By Alastair Matheson

NAIROBI — Kenya's Indian Ocean port of Mombasa has now begun to handle hundreds of tons of Ugandan coffee bound for Europe and North America, which will give President Milton Obote's new government some urgently-needed foreign exchange to help the economically-ravaged country.

This flow of coffee is the first visible result of the recent historic border meeting between Obote and his Kenyan neighbor, President Daniel arap Moi. After agreement at presidential level, measures were announced to give land-locked Uganda free and speedy access to the outside world through Mombasa. Priority has been given to removing red tape and already convoys of Kenyan lorries are tackling the vast backlog of some 70,000 tons of coffee which has piled up in the Uganda awaiting export.

A crackdown has also been announced on smugglers and hijackers who divert or steal many coffee consignments. This problem is aggravated by Kenya's inability to provide sufficient security police and a lack of rail transport to carry the coffee over the 700 miles between Kampala and Mombasa.

Cases exist where lorries carrying coffee have simply "disappeared". The Kenyan chief of police was recently forced to resign after Ugandan coffee was transferred into sacks bearing Kenyan labels in the outskirts of Nairobi. The lorry had earlier been "escorted" to the Kenyan capital by a police patrol car and parked overnight at police headquarters. Two members of parliament, found guilty of masterminding the operation, were later imprisoned and another police officer was disciplined.

As coffee is the most readily-available commodity which Uganda can convert into foreign currency, every effort is being made to get the vast stockpile out to the world's markets. Kenya is the most direct route, but an alternative route exists over the Lake Victoria to Tanzania and recently the Ugandans resorted to sending loads of coffee to London by air.

The foreign currency shortage was highlighted only three weeks ago when the multinational oil companies simply cut off supplies due to nonpayment. Only when the government authorized an emergency payment did the flow of gasoline resume, together with a new rationing system.

Minister for Economic Planning and Development Sam Odaka believes that Uganda will eventually have sufficient funds to tackle its formidable reconstruction program. A total of \$7 million is already in the pipeline, coming as aid from EEC sources, the World Bank, the United Nations and the Islamic Development Bank.

Another Ugandan asset is cobalt, valued at \$952 and \$1,064 million, which lies buried in the tailings or waste from the Kilembe copper mines. A Canadian mining company, Falconbridge, has now undertaken to recover the cobalt which has a market price of \$23.8 a pound.

France's tax fraud champions

By Paul Webster

PARIS — France's reputation as a tax swindlers' paradise has been reinforced by an official report which shows that self-employed workers declare only half their earnings. The government's Study Center for Costs and Revenues found that the champions in tax fraud were tax drivers, chemists and cobblers.

It is estimated that direct and indirect tax fraud is so widespread that if the government could recover all it is owed from business and individuals it could easily cover the budget deficit last year of about \$9 billion.

The Study Center not only confirms entrenched individual resistance to income tax but underlines the fact that President Valery Giscard d'Estaing has forgotten his 1974 election promise to introduce social justice through a fair tax system.

Dodging is not merely condoned but often rewarded. The most publicized tax fraud being carried out in France has been by farmers, who annually hold back about \$1.2 billion from the treasury.

Despite the fact that parliament debated the fraud only a few weeks ago, the president has just announced that a special round of government subsidies almost exactly equivalent to the undeclared revenue is to be given to farmers to make up for falling incomes due to inflation.

The Study Center's report and subsequent comments by tax experts indicate that the government's policy on the whole is to protect its traditional vote among the self-employed, particularly among the professions. While salaried workers real incomes have been cut by some 4 per cent during the last two years, partly through taxation, the professional and trading class is benefiting from lax controls.

The biggest average profit from tax dodging among individuals is made by chemists, France's highest paid self-employed. Their declared average revenues are estimated at about \$50,000 a year but they hold back as much again without declaring it.

The millions withheld fraudulently by the professions and other self-employed have not stopped them from being among the biggest complainers about government fiscal policy. The professions have formed a trade union which marched through Paris recently, and taxi drivers hold regular protests which block city traffic.

The pressure is paying off, according to Georges Gourgueschon, secretary-general of the National Taxation Trade Union. As the presidential election gets nearer, tax controls are being eased.

"In 1974 there were 2,121 special controls for the 25 million taxpayers," he said. "In 1979, there were only 289." In fact, fraudsters have little to worry about. A business in the Paris region is given a thorough tax inspection only one in 25 years on average. A professional man is unlikely to be checked more than once in 33 years.

"A tax inspector has no idea what the professions earn and has to trust their declarations," Gourgueschon said, pointing out that fewer tax inspectors are being recruited. "Inevitably it is the lower paid self-employed worker who is subjected to intensive checking because an improvement in his life style through tax-fraud is more obvious than for someone earning a high income."

"After all, the life style of someone earning \$120,000 a year may not be strikingly different from someone earning twice as much. Apart from that, the rich man can employ accountants who know all the latest dodges."



Letters to the editor

Sir,
 A colleague once asked, 'why do you fly Saudia?' I only answered him, "It's matter of principles." The national air carrier, Sandia, has been receiving severe criticism recently. The most common complaint concerns schedule delays, but the most severe and harshest concerns the question of safety.

During 1979-80, a large part of my time was spent air-borne. My job allowed me to claim 50,000 miles of air travel within and outside the Kingdom. These credits permit me to discuss the topic and contribute to the existing debate.

Having enumerated my travel mileage (all on Saudia), it's worth mentioning that I'm not basing my argument on records and studies, nor was I commissioned by the carrier's PR department. I am only a passenger treating the topic objectively without being vindictive. Saudia, the carrier, while more visible, is only one sector of the over-all mosaic that forms this fledgling giant called Saudi Arabia. The carrier is emerging in the same short years of development as many other sectors, and better than many.

We need not refer to any of the expatriate pioneers to compare the differences. Any passenger can recite them without much effort. A simple exercise of the sort can go a long way to justify most of the shortcomings. Nevertheless, special attention by Saudia directors should be expended to rid some staff members of the secretary, which inevitably leads to inefficiency. I like many, do not feel comfortable when taken for granted.

In any case, it's only a human trait to complain. Let's think together though: expatriates are here to participate in the development of this nation. Those who come from advanced countries and have more reasons to complain, can take pride in this great effort toward development. Others coming from lesser-developed countries — well, the idea explains itself. The pride and moral satisfaction we might claim from having participated in all this is only part of the story, the other being the benefits derived.

Turning to the more serious topic of safety, we are told that Saudia is carrying seven to eight million passengers in a single year. The figures of the air-miles flown must be a large one indeed. Surely statistics do not help those who helped make them. Yet, the unfortunate incidents become easier to comprehend. Naturally, Saudia and its passengers alike would be much happier if negative incidents did not exist at all.

At any rate, it's a matter of principles that I fly Saudia — and safely.

With regards,
 William Fields

Sir,
 The time has come when we should give the goodbye to empty slogans and platitudes. The Islamic summit should usher in an era of cooperative endeavor marked by a sense of unity.

Let our heads of state get down to the brass tacks and implement resolutions to be adopted. Let them know there is no better diplomacy than strength and no better strength than unity.

It is futile to hope that the superpowers will come to the rescue of the Palestinians or the Afghans, since they have an axe to grind. This is a task which will have to be done by us.

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RIGHT REVIEW

Muslim leaders have reviewed succinctly but convincingly the problems that face the Islamic world, from Afghanistan to issues of the Muslim minorities, passing through the central and most important case of Jerusalem and the occupied Arab territories.

They rightly pointed out the odd and unjust position being taken by the United States with regard to the occupied Arab territories in Palestine, Jordan, Syria and now Lebanon where Israel is in effective control of part of southern Lebanon even if it hides behind the transparent facade of Saad Haddad. The U.S. continues to talk about the desirability of peace in the Middle East and at the same time provides Israel with the means to spurn it. This is not lost on the Muslims who know the truth and realize that without massive American aid and almost blind support to the Zionist state, the occupied territories including Jerusalem would have long been liberated.

Nor is the Soviet Union less guilty of violating Islamic territories and transgressing on Muslims. Its invasion of Afghanistan was a flagrant display of naked superpower arrogance flung in the face of the rest of mankind. And it shows few signs of wanting to get out of this precious part of the Islamic world. It has been killing and destroying with wanton disregard for the wishes of the majority which only goes to show that its declared support for the Palestinian cause and the Arab dispute with Israel is less than genuine in view of its own aggression on a similarly Muslim nation that had done it no harm and could not have done so even if it tried.

While some may have despaired of even being able to do something effectively to dislodge the Soviet Union from Afghanistan and the U.S.-supported Israelis from Palestine and the occupied territories, it would be quite unrealistic to underestimate the combined power of this impressive congregation of Muslim leadership and what staggering potentialities for action it can muster. Echoing King Khaled Pakistan's President Zia called on the member states "to establish an identity of their own, clearly distinct from the power blocs of the East and West, and which possesses an inviolable geographical and ideological perimeter, totally immune to outside encroachment and interference." He was thus appealing for a new power bloc, not to trespass on other states and peoples as the leading ones are doing either directly or by proxy, but to protect the Muslims and become an instrument of political, economic and social well-being.

With this in mind, the Muslims will have to put their own house in order. They are still divided, some are at war with each other, while the majority is suffering from economic deprivation. His appeal for intensified economic cooperation with a view to an integrated economy, must be taken with the seriousness that it deserves.

Saudi Arabian Press Review

Newspapers used banner headlines to report Sunday's opening of the Third Islamic summit conference by King Khaled in Mecca. They highlighted the King's "pledge to God to uphold the prestige of Islam." The monarch's call to Muslim leaders to unify their ranks and to help their brethren in the restoration of their usurped rights formed part of the lead stories carried by the newspapers Monday.

In a front-page story, *Al Riyadh* reported Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal as saying the summit conference would determine the bases for the beginning of joint Islamic actions. United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim's endeavors to halt the Gulf war in coordination with the Islamic bloc figured prominently on the front page of *Al Jazirah* newspapers.

Newspaper editorials enthusiastically commented on the gathering of Muslim leaders at the Holy Kaaba, expressing fervent hopes that they will work hand in hand to uphold the honor and dignity of the Islamic nation. *Al Yom* said in an editorial that so many Muslim leaders are meeting in Mecca for the first time to discuss the problems of the Islamic world. It added that Muslims are beginning their march afresh to restore the strength and glory of the nation, after eliminating all forms of dissension and rifts.

Al Riyadh noted that events at the Holy Kaaba Sunday have symbolized the wishes of the world's Muslims of the world. The paper described the meeting as "memorable," since it brought Muslim leaders together forgetting differences before the House of God. This meeting, the paper said, has been an inevitable necessity in view of the woes and sufferings of the Muslims of the world. The paper urged the leaders to create a new front to begin work fully reinforced with the power of faith, so that they are able to rescue the nation from a state of deterioration and setbacks.

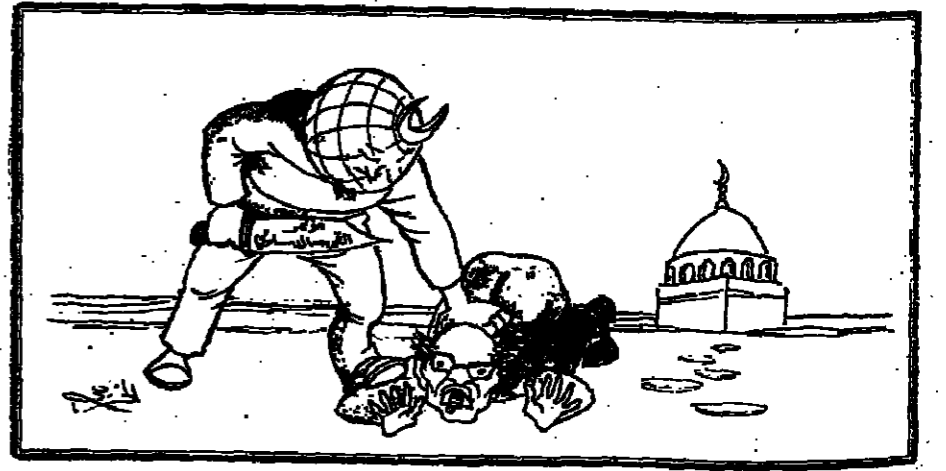
On the same subject, *Al Jazirah* reiterated that the great Islamic renaissance at the present stage is not directed against anyone or any bloc, but it has emanated from the conscience of Muslims who aspire for a life of dignity and honor. At the same time, the paper said, the Islamic world cannot do without cooperating with the outside world, but it would never mean that the nation should accept the type of cooperation the hostile forces insist on imposing on the Islamic world for their own interests. With this in view, the summit conference would be called upon to work to give a collective force to the nation's cooperation and dealing the outside world, the paper added.

Discussing King Khaled's opening address, *Al Bilad* observed that it crystallized the importance of Islamic principles which alone would provide guarantee for Muslim unity and solidarity. The paper described the Mecca meeting as "historic" it has taken firm resolve to settle the problems to confront all hostile attempts being made by enemies of Islam to obliterate the Islamic world from the world.

Al Bilad also said that Sunday's meeting of Muslim leaders within the precincts of the Holy Kaaba was symbolic of Muslim strength, solidarity and cooperation. The paper held out hopes that the summit would lay a strong foundation for building the edifice of present and future actions of the nation. It also hoped that the Holy Kaaba, brought them together, would help them hold to each other to uphold the honor and dignity of the greater Islamic world.

Dwelling on the same subject, *Al Madina* observed that the Muslim leaders' meeting in proximity of the House of God indicates a prominent characteristic of this nation which has one and works for one objective. The paper commended the Saudi Arabian leadership, whose laudable approaches both at bilateral and collective levels would pave the way for the realization of Islamic solidarity, now a tangible reality. The meeting of King Hassan II of Morocco and President Chadli Benjedid of Algeria at the gate of the Holy Kaaba was greatly appreciated by the paper, which hoped that all Muslim leaders would meet together and open a new way of cordiality and mutual accord.

Al Nadwa described Sunday's meeting of Muslim leaders as "most splendid and expressive of Islamic spirit." It highlighted King Khaled's reaffirmation that the Islamic renaissance would not pose a threat to anyone, but would strive to eliminate backwardness from the Islamic world which has been victimized for centuries by alien ideological, economic and military inroads.



Begin's ordeal before the Islamic summit!

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A 5-star hotel in the making

Dammam Oberoi to open in March

By Jean Grant

DAMMAM: When Le Corbusier, the famous Swiss-French architect, said that "a house is a machine for living in," nostalgic home-owners were shocked, but this is exactly what today's grand hotels have become: humming, gleaming machines where everything is regulated by dials and warning lights and computerized programs. Little is left to chance or charm. The Dammam Oberoi, being built at a cost of SR160 million, is no exception.

Built as a joint venture between India's famed hoteliers and Saudi Arabia's Tamimi and Fouad (the Saudi Civil Works Company), the hotel joins the ranks of Oberoi's international chain of 5-star hotels. The Dammam management recently invited Arab News on an inspection of its hotel's new premises adjacent to the pre-fabricated buildings which have housed the Dammam Hotel for the past four years.

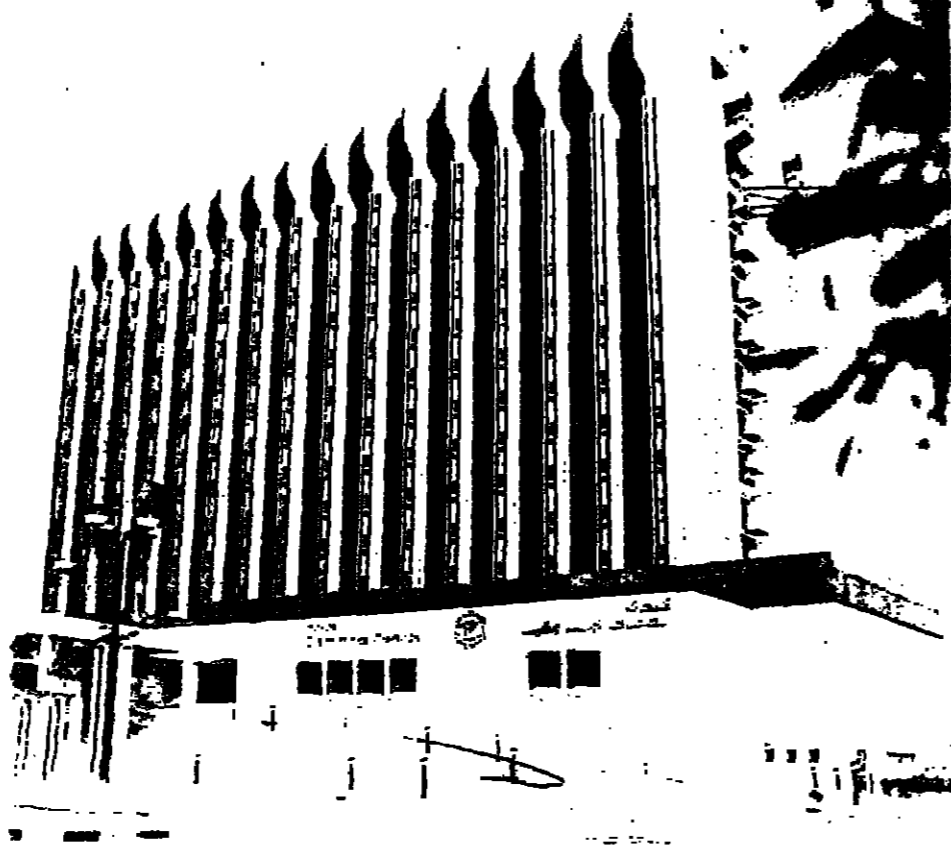
Among the first points to be viewed was the boiler room where the temperature never drops below the sub-tropical. Three bulbous boilers, each of which makes 5,100 lbs. of steam an hour, provide the laundry, kitchens, and rooms with hot water.

Behind the hotel, two sweet-water plants produce 250,000 gallons a day of potable water. An alarm panel, which is monitored continuously, has a light for each of the 40 zones into which the hotel is divided. In case of a fire, "a light goes red, making a terrible noise." Members of the staff are trained to function as a fire-fighting crew.

The kitchens glisten with huge dishwashers. Dirty dishes go in one end and after a series of suds washes and rinses, emerge at the other spotless. Signs have been displayed admonishing workers to wash their hands. Emphasis on sterile conditions makes the kitchen, which boasts a special room for peeling potatoes, seem more like a hospital canteen than an integral part of a hotel. The hotel also caters the nearby Abdullah Fouad Hospital.

Six hundred sheets a day pass through the washing machines that line the walls of a laundry which is dominated by an enormous press six meters long and three meters wide. The laundry will be open to the public.

The hotel has a doctor on call 24 hours a day with a clinic on the ground floor. An Arabic teacher coaches the staff everyday. Gardeners in the Oberoi's air-conditioned greenhouse prick out lobelia and alyssum.



The lobby's fountain and the coffee shop will soon be surrounded by plants. A 18,000-piece crystal chandelier is being installed.

Most of the 425-strong staff come from India, but there are also some from Egypt, Singapore, Lebanon and Europe.

The Dammam Oberoi is scheduled to open March 15.

The lobby's tea center, a marble bar, is sheltered by a real gold-leaf dome. One can admire the sliding mashrabiyyah screens which shield the mirrored walls, and the coffered ceiling covered with panels of chocolate-colored suede.

Water cascades down a fountain in the 800-square-meter lobby. A 2½ ton crystal chandelier over the fountain makes the water glisten and light the oak columns of the lobby.

For those who prefer to make their hotel a temporary office, a businessman's bureau provides secretarial services, translators and telexes in English and Arabic, and three

pigeon-hole-sized offices to meet clients and associates. The hotel is also fitted with a health club and a gymnasium. The banquet room can accommodate 1000 people. It could be used for weddings or meetings. Carpets, doors, and even ceilings are all designed according to the traditional Islamic pattern. Famous Arab poems are inscribed in fine Arabic calligraphy on the room's cornice.

The hotel has three restaurants: the Al Ghuzal grill room serves continental cuisine in a Victorian setting of oak, red marble, and velvet curtains; Al Bustan coffee shop, open 24 hours a day, is furnished bronze-topped tables and dark blue upholstery. Fifteen floors up, Le Chinois offers traditional Cantonese cuisine in a decor which combines elements of Chinese design with International mod-sleek.

All 308 rooms and suites face the Arabian sea, but a recent land reclamation project has pushed back the sea on all sides.

Off-Runway players to stage performance

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, — The Off-Runway Players begin their second year of performing at the Hochstetler camp with Neil Simon's comedy "Come Blow Your Horn." Ergin Kok directs this production which depicts the story of some New York people and a shy, young man's lessons in the ways of the big city.

The play will run for four nights beginning Tuesday, Jan. 27, with performances beginning at 8 p.m. and tickets costing SR20 at the door. The performers find themselves anxious to present another play to the community. Peter Krans and Lee Comprini have appeared in previous productions, but the remainder of the cast is new and are ready to try their wings.

The group has been practicing since December and have put a lot of effort into polishing up their style. Kok, an Off-Runway veteran, has high hopes for this week's presentation. Although a majority of the cast is new he has typecast them in order to help bring out the best performance possible.

Preparing for the presentation hasn't been all that easy for the group. Since the play

takes place in winter, the area was combed for winter clothing for the cast to use. Needless to say, the task was difficult one in this warm climate. But, the obstacles have been overcome, and the Off-Runway Players look forward to presenting their latest effort. Remember, curtain time is 8 p.m. Be there. Aloha!

Recital scheduled


JEDDAH — On Wednesday Jan. 28th, two young English musicians, members of an Ensemble called "Apollo's Banquet," will be giving a concert of Baroque Music. Monica Huggett plays the violin and has been called "the doyenne of English baroque fiddlers." Her violin is a modern copy by Roland Ross of an Antonio Stradivarius instrument, and she has adopted the early method of playing without gripping the violin between the chin and shoulder.

The musician plays with many different Baroque ensembles in England and on the Continent and has toured Europe, America and Australia. She records as a soloist for

Decca, RCA Saga and the Folio Society. Sophia McKenna plays the baroque oboe. After studying the modern oboe in London, she went to Vienna to work on the baroque oboe with Jurg Schaeftlein who is the leading baroque oboist in Europe today. While in Austria she also attended Nicholas Hamoncourt's Eighteenth Century Performance practice classes and built her own copy of a baroque oboe. She also plays in many different ensembles and baroque orchestras in Europe and records for Decca, RCA and Erato.

The program will include Trio Sonatas by Telemann and Handel and Sonatas by Geminian and Biber, as well as Bach's Partita no. 2 in D minor for unaccompanied violin. The harpsichord and cello continuo will be played by Christopher and Primrose Armander, residents of Jeddah, in the absence of other members of Apollo's Banquet. The concert is presented by the Jeddah Concert Committee, and will be held at the Continental School, which is by the traffic lights to the West of Al Muktar. The recital begins at 8.30 p.m., and tickets will be available at the door.

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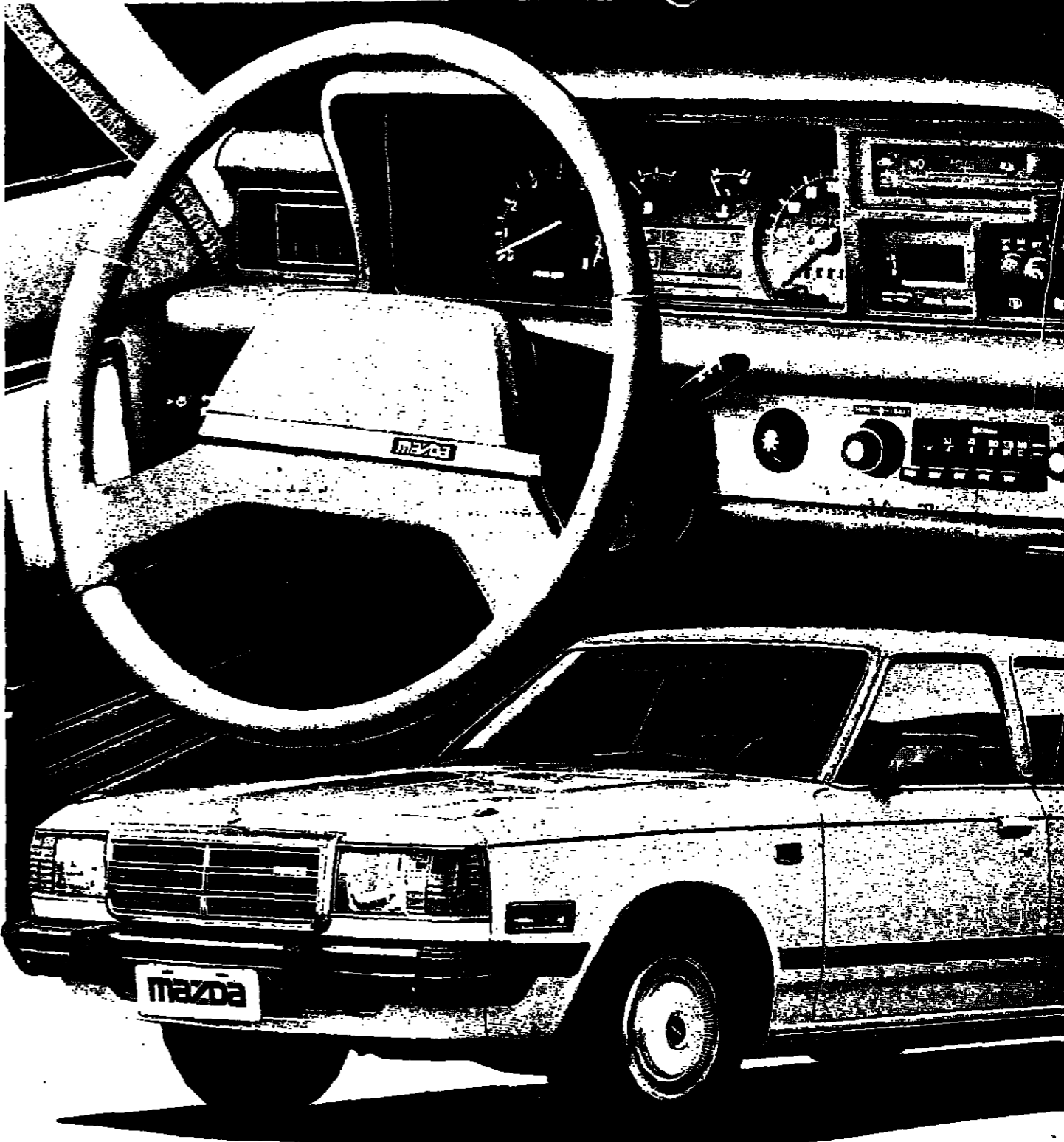
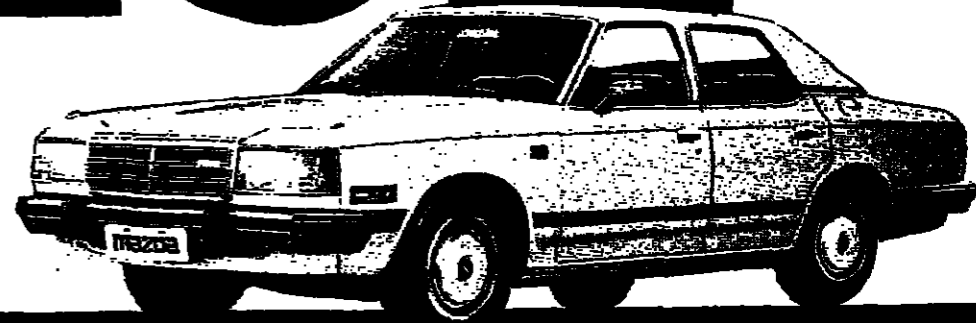
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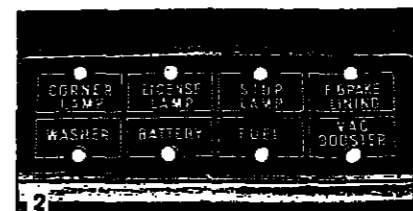
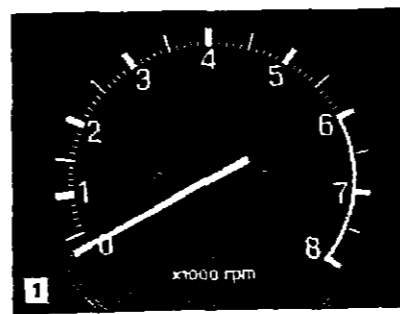
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Budget deficit \$15b Sweden faces unrest over 'wage freeze'

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 26 (ONS) — The cent of Sweden's economic crisis has been highlighted by a budget that allows for a deficit in 1981-82 of \$15 billion. Ominously, the budget lays heavy emphasis on 'realism' in readiness to shoulder responsibility' on the sides in the annual round of wage negotiations. Economy Minister Gösta Bohman later admitted that the government is, in so many words, calling for a wage freeze.

Union leaders almost fell over each other in readiness to denounce what Gunnar Nilsson, chairman of the Swedish Confederation of Trade Unions, called 'concealed threats' of interference in labor market negotiations.

The situation is similar to that of last year as the country was on the verge of being edged into its worst-ever labor market as nearly one million workers, a quarter of the working population, either struck or were locked out of their jobs. Last year's ended 42 years of relative industrial peace based on the Swedish model of a highly-centralized wage bargaining structure.

Unions are tabling claims this year for a 10 per cent. 'We can't take responsibility for the whole society,' Nilsson said. 'Our responsibility is first and foremost to our members.'

His opposite number, Curt Nicolin, chairman of the Swedish Employers' Confederation,

replied: 'It is flying in the face of reality to demand preservation of real wage levels.' With these two declarations, the stage seems set for new confrontation.

Prime Minister Thorbjörn Fälldin's three-party non-Socialist government has done little to endear itself to the unions by raising value added tax from 17.1 per cent of 19 per cent (or from 20.63 per cent to 23.43 per cent at consumer price level) and announcing a \$1.5 billion package of public spending cuts.

Disenchantment with the present coalition of the Conservative, Liberal and Center parties set in soon after they scored a one-seat victory over the Social Democrats and Communists in September 1979.

The latest polls, which show the Social Democrats with a sufficiently large lead to form a government without the support of the Communists, give the Social Democrats 47 per cent, the Conservatives 25 per cent, the agrarian-based Center party 12 per cent, the Liberals 8 per cent and the Communists 5 per cent.

There is perhaps a degree of escapism in the present national preoccupation for choosing coalitions to 'lead the country out of the crisis' that started when a poll (opinion polls are another national preoccupation) revealed that a majority of Swedes wanted a government representing both the socialist and 'bourgeois' parties.

Kuwait plans housing unit in Singapore

SINGAPORE, Jan. 26 (R) — The Kuwait government plans to build a large residential complex in Singapore, second major investment in real estate here, official sources said Monday. The Kuwait Real Estate Investment Holding (KREIC), Singapore, formed three months ago, would begin construction of a \$23.8 million housing project this year and was expected to complete it by 1983, the sources said.

Earlier this month, the government disclosed that the KREIC would invest substantially in the building of a joint Singapore-Kuwait petroleum center, costing \$238 million to house many of Singapore's Arab as well as petroleum-related industries.

The sources said the Singapore government expected Kuwait's real estate commitments here to trigger substantial Arab investment in property, industrial and financial sectors to boost the public's economic growth.

Farm subsidies draining EEC finances

By Murray Seeger

BRUSSELS, Jan. 26 (LAT) — With a new member country and a new executive, the European Economic Community faces a new decade that many experts see as crucial to the future of western Europe.

The addition of Greece gives the community, also known as the European Common Market, its 10th member and a total population of almost 270 million.

More important, however, the addition of Greece and the installation of a new commission under President Gaston Thorn of Luxembourg has ushered in a new era that may determine whether the European integration movement will find new impetus or struggle along in the hesitant path followed for most of the last decade.

One crucial issue facing the new leaders is possible bankruptcy in about a year if the liberal farm subsidy program is not reformed. This consumes nearly three-fourths of the budget. Another problem is the addition of Greek as a seventh official language.

"We do not have any interpreters for translating from Dutch or Danish to Greek, but we are training people and expect everyone to be

flexible," a commission spokesman said.

The Common Market is only one, though the best known, of the three European communities that combined their institutions under terms of a 1965 treaty that went into effect in 1967. The other two are the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Atomic Energy Community. Each of the 10 member nations belongs to all three communities.

For many experts, the decade of the 1980s is crucial for the common market because it is set on a course of expanding its membership to 12 — adding Portugal and Spain — before it has carried out the internal overhaul that has been recommended year after year.

European leaders still make solemn pledges to move the community toward closer political and economic harmony, but the record of the past few years has been otherwise. Instead of bold new initiatives, the community has been largely content to concentrate on administering the authority it has, mainly controlling the sale of food products in a way that protects the farmers at the expense of the consumer.

The admission of Greece is unlikely to have dramatic effects on the community, which is smaller than the United States in area and economic output even though it exceeds it in population. But this enlargement of the community's membership may help focus the concentration of the older members on getting their houses in order before Spain and Portugal join.

When they became members, the community will be more clearly divided between the have-not countries and the better-off countries. There will be Greece, Spain, Portugal, Ireland and Italy on the one hand and France, West Germany, Britain, Denmark, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg on the other.

The lack of economic integration between the two groups, which is now an embarrassment, could then be so divisive as to create what many observers have called a "Two-speed Europe."

The immediate effect of Greece's joining

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Japan to reduce dependence on foreign energy sources

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (R) — Prime Minister Tenko Suzuki Monday said his government would carry out a four-part program aimed at making Japan less dependent on imported oil and other energy products.

The prime minister in a major policy speech at the start of a new session of the Japanese parliament put special emphasis on oil and energy although the program he announced was the same as previous Japanese governments.

The 70-year-old Suzuki, in power since last July, cited the prolongation of the Iran-Iraq conflict — both countries used to be major suppliers of oil to Japan — and the recent OPEC decision to raise crude oil prices as causes for concern.

"Even in the medium and long-term situation will remain tense because of the position of the oil-producing countries wishing to conserve their oil, political instability in the Mid-

dle East and other factors," Suzuki told parliament.

The prime minister said it would be intolerable if Japan, which imports virtually all of its oil, 70 per cent of it from the Middle East, did not take rapid steps to rectify its dependence on foreign energy sources.

"Japan now accounts for one-tenth of free world oil consumption and it is our international duty to tackle this energy problem seriously," he said.

He said that Japan would go all out to achieve the oil conservation target of 157.5 million barrels of oil during the 1981 financial year which begins next April. Japan last year used about 5.2 million barrels of oil a day, down from 5.4 million barrels in 1979.

Suzuki said the government would encourage investment related to energy conservation and alternative energies and would expedite the signing of nuclear power plants,

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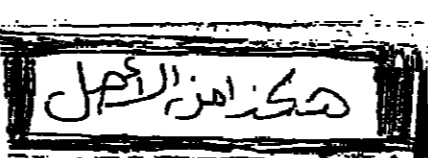
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DENNIS the MENACE

"WANTA HEAR A GOOD ONE? THAT QUARTER YOU GAVE ME TURNED OUT TO BE A DOLLAR!"

Contract Bridge

B. Jay Becker

A Question of Timing.

North dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
 ♠ J 9 8 4
 ♥ K Q 6
 ♦ K Q
 ♣ K J 6 5

WEST
 ♠ A Q
 ♥ 8 7 4
 ♦ J 8 6 2
 ♣ 10 7 4 3

EAST
 ♠ 7 6 5 2
 ♥ 10 9 3 2
 ♦ A 9 5
 ♣ 8 2

SOUTH
 ♠ K 10 3
 ♥ A J 5
 ♦ 10 7 4 3
 ♣ A Q 9

The bidding:
 North East South West
 1♣ Pass 2NT Pass
 3NT

Opening lead — two of diamonds.

The right time to win a trick is crucial in many hands, and this applies just as much to the defenders as it does to the declarer. Consider this deal from a team of four match. At both tables the final contract was three notrump, but the contract was made at one table while at the other it was defeated.

At the first table, West led a diamond, East taking the queen with the ace and returning the nine to the king. South had eight sure tricks at this point, and in an effort to gain a ninth he played a low spade to the ten.

West took his queen, but had no satisfactory return. When he led a heart, declarer won in dummy and played a spade to the king. West took his ace and cashed the jack of diamonds, which he would otherwise have lost, and South made exactly three notrump.

At the second table, the defense was far more effective. A diamond was led here also, but East signaled with the nine instead of winning with the ace. Declarer could not prevail against this thoughtful play. He also led a spade and finessed the ten, but West won with the queen and returned a diamond.

East took dummy's king with the ace and returned the five, West's J-3 gobbling up the 10-7, so the outcome was that the defense scored three diamonds and two spades to put South down one.

At the second table, East recognized that it would be better to take the ace of diamonds later in the play, when he could more effectively lead through any values South might have in diamonds.

At the first table, West led a diamond, East taking the

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
 You have good insight into the motives of others, but that still doesn't help you in getting along with them. Watch arguments.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
 Morning hours are productive, but distractions could interfere with p.m. accomplishment. Keep your nose to the grindstone.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
 A planned trip may have to be cancelled. Perhaps you can't get the time off. You may have second thoughts about a romantic interest.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
 A home improvement project looks good, until family members express doubts. Tension in romance shouldn't lead to quarrels.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
 The morning is your best time for negotiating agreements. Expect a breakdown in communications later. Watch domestic tension.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
 Financial prospects look good in the A.M., but you still

have to watch spending on non-essentials. Protect health in the p.m.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
 Money now through creative efforts, but the pursuit of pleasure could prove expensive later. Seek less costly entertainments.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
 Stick to your first plan for domestic improvements. You'll tend to second-guess yourself now. Don't argue with family members.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
 You may be invited to a party. However, rumors abound. Don't believe everything you hear. Friends tend to exaggerate now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
 A higher-up may hedge about a money matter. Others are reluctant to commit themselves about career and financial ventures.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
 What looks good in principle may be hard to implement now. Others may not follow your good advice. Soft-pedal differences with higher-ups.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
 A plan you have concerning joint assets is a winner, but close ties are difficult to persuade now. Save your arguments for another time.

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Colombian city
 5 Edged
 10 "Green Mansions" hero
 11 Choir
 12 Meander
 13 Sniff
 14 Part of a st. sign
 15 Kettle and Perkins
 18 Fencing dummy
 17 Earthly
 19 Chinese pagoda
 20 Hour (It.)
 21 Letter sign-off
 22 Beatles' record company
 25 Wattle tree
 26 Bridge charge
 27 Golf term
 28 Wing
 29 On the male side
 33 Legionnaire
 34 Beseech
 35 Spanish inlet
 36 Purpose
 38 Conduce
 39 Dallas of radio fame

DOWN

40 Peruvian Indian
 41 Borgnine film
 42 Converge
 1 Jewelry term
 2 Overhead
 3 Lifting device
 4 O'Neill play
 5 Apprehend
 6 What a laugh!
 7 Mechanical device
 8 Mammit to type
 9 Church dignitary
 11 Climbing vine
 15 Mother (Fr.)
 18 Drumbeat
 21 By nature
 22 Reversion girl
 23 Italian dish
 24 Big dish
 25 Tilt, as an airplane tot

Yesterday's Answer

27 Fettucine, e.g.
 29 Virtle
 30 "Goodnight" girl
 31 Subsequently
 32 Attached
 37 Porker
 38 Dickens'

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TUESDAY

Morning: Propagation: 1766, 1786, 2170 (Info) Wordlengths: 16, 26, 16, 21, 13, 22 (subset)

Evening: Propagation: 1796, 2170 (Info) Wordlengths: 16, 74, 13, 26, 13, 79 (subset)

7.45 Religious Program
 8.00 News
 8.10 Melodias
 8.20 Literary Magazine
 8.30 NEWS
 9.03 Your Doctor
 9.23 Our Choice (Music)

4.30 Religious Program
 4.46 Duet and Chorus
 5.15 Literary Magazine
 5.45 One Singer
 6.00 NEWS
 6.15 Press Review
 6.20 On This Day
 6.25 Classical Music

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:

AXYDLBAXR
 is LONG FELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

W LCUWCSC HNFWHINYFWXA PWF
 ZXQK PCKM WH WA EWKCYF
 KNFWX PWF ZXQK YXAFKWLQFWXA.

- YDNKUCH I. MCFECKWAO
 Yesterday's Cryptoquote: HE WHO MAKES THE SPEECH MAKES THE POLICY; AT LEAST, HE TRIES. — ELIZABETH DREW

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DHAHRAN TV

4:30 Children's Show
 5:34 Harding to Health
 5:46 Family Hour
 6:46 Happy Days
 7:09 Mork and Mandy
 7:34 Between the Walls
 8:00 College Football

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 2:01 Holy Quran
 2:05 Gams of Guidance
 2:10 Saudi Tabloun
 2:20 On Islam
 2:30 Radio Magazine
 3:00 NEWS
 3:10 News Review
 3:15 Music
 3:20 World of Machines
 3:30 A Selection of Music
 3:40
 3:50 Closures

Evening Transmission

9:00 Opening
 9:01 Holy Quran
 9:05 Gams of Guidance
 9:10 Light Music
 9:15 Radio Show
 9:45 Reflections of a Muslim
 10:00 Islamic Contributions
 10:10 Music
 10:15 NEWS
 10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
 10:30 Bosquet
 11:00 The World of the Guitar
 11:15 Round and About
 11:45 On Islam
 12:00 In the Quiet
 12:30 Music
 12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
 01:00 Closures

BBC

Morning Transmission

8:00 World News
 8:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
 8:30 Sarah Ward
 8:45 World Today
 9:00 Newsdesk
 9:20 Open Star
 10:00 World News
 10:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
 10:30 Sarah Ward
 10:45 Something to Show You
 11:00 World News
 11:09 Reflections
 11:15 Fiano Style
 11:30 Brain of Britain 1978
 12:00 World News
 12:09 British Press Review
 12:15 World Today
 12:30 Financial News
 12:40 Look Ahead
 12:45 The Tony Mynt

Evening Transmission

1.15 Ulster in Focus
 1.30 Discovery
 2.00 World News
 2.09 News about Britain
 2.15 Alphabet of Musical Curios
 2.30 Sports International
 2.40 Radio Newsworld
 3.15 Promenade Concert
 3.45 Sports Round-up
 4.00 World News
 4.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
 4.30 The Pleasure's Yours
 5.15 Report on Religion
 6.00 Radio Newsworld
 6.15 Outlook
 7.00 World News
 7.09 Commentary
 7.15 Sherlock Holmes
 7.45 World Today
 8.00 World News
 8.09 Books and Writers

8.30 Take One
 8.45 Sports Round-up
 9.00 World News
 9.09 News about Britain
 9.15 Radio Newsworld
 9.30 Farming World
 10.00 Outlook News Summary
 10.39 Stock Market Report
 10.43 Look Ahead
 10.45 Ulster in Focus
 11.00 World News
 11.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
 12.15 Talkabout
 12.43 Nature Notebook
 1.00 World News
 1.09 World Today
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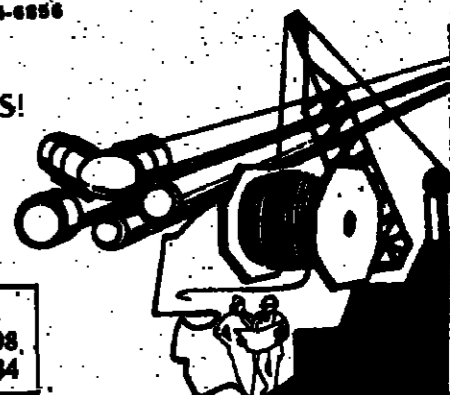
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Return triggers jubilation

Freed Americans relax with families

WEST POINT, New York Jan. 26 (Agencies) — The freed American hostages relaxed Monday with their families following their return home 449 days after militant students seized them in Tehran. Released from Iran last Tuesday, just 25 minutes after Ronald Reagan took the oath of office as president, the 52 ex-hostages arrived Sunday following four days of medical examinations in Wiesbaden, West Germany.

Their return triggered a day of national jubilation. The 14-mile route from Stewart airport to the stately brick-and-stone Thayer Hotel in the grounds of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point was lined by an estimated 200,000 people, many waving American flags and sporting yellow ribbons, a symbol of their return.

There was a joyous tolling of bells. For three minutes all bells rang and all sirens cried from Newark, New Jersey firetrucks and firehouses to mark their return.

Church bells tolled throughout Indianapolis, Indiana at noon Sunday, at the request of Mayor William Hudnut, who said: "and let the bells ring not just for the 52 former hostages but also for the eight men who lost their lives trying to deliver them from captivity."

The former hostages walked off their air force jet, dubbed "Freedom One," shouting "God bless America" and "Thank God, we're home."

The U.S. marine guards captured at the American embassy on Nov. 4, 1979, were the first to leave "Freedom One." Wearing freshly pressed uniforms, they paused briefly on the plane's stairway, then snapped brisk salutes. Minutes later, all the former hostages were off the plane and in the arms of their loved ones.

Their only official greeting came from Stewart airport manager Frank Tarbell, who said the joyous scenes of welcome were too

much to bear. "I had to turn my head away. It became too much, too much."

Security was extremely tight. Reporters and spectators were kept well away from the hostages and their families because the captives had said they wanted the family reunions as private as possible. When the ex-hostages arrived at the 170-room Thayer Hotel, they were greeted by thousands of more well-wishers and waved through the coach windows. Some of the crowd had waited up to eight hours in cold weather to see the freed hostages and got only a 30-second glimpse.

The hotel will be their home until Tuesday morning, when they fly to Washington for a White House reception by President Reagan.

Although they have been scrutinized by doctors and psychiatrists, no one knows what the ordeal has done to these 52 Americans — a cross-section of their fellow citizens, ranging in age from a 21-year-old marine guard to a 64-year-old former diplomat called out of retirement for a final tour in the U.S. embassy in Tehran.

In telephone calls to relatives, some have reported torture and mistreatment including beatings, solitary confinement and mock executions. Iran has denied these allegations, saying the U.S. authorities have brainwashed the ex-hostages.

Two former Carter administration officials said Sunday the U.S. must honor its deal with Iran despite the allegations. Former Secretary of State Edmund Muskie and his deputy, Warren Christopher, stressed in television interviews the importance of adhering to the agreement, but suggested that relations with Iran would not improve in the future.

Meanwhile, the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee said Sunday the government of Iran should face "an element of punishment" for its seizure of the U.S. embassy and nearly 15-month imprisonment of 52 Americans.

To strike at Iranian army

Kurds using mountain bases

SULAYMANIYAH, Iraq, Jan. 26 (R) — Iranian Kurdish guerrillas are striking at Iranian troops from mountain bases behind Iraq's frontier in the Gulf war, according to Iraqi military officers.

The officers, interviewed by Western correspondents at a frontline position inside Iranian territory in the rugged Kurdistan region, said Baghdad was backing Kurdish demands

San Francisco blast damages Iranian bank

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26 (AP) — A bomb blast ripped the Bank Mellat Iran early Monday with an explosion strong enough to shatter windows on buildings across the street, police said.

There were no injuries and no one claimed responsibility for the 12:35 a.m. local time blast at the bank, located on Montgomery Street in San Francisco's financial district, a police spokesman said.

The explosion blew out of all the windows in the Iranian bank, which had offices in the Wells Fargo building, as well as the windows in the Union Bank office across the street, the spokesman said. State agents were investigating and federal authorities were notified of the blast, officials said.

Danish police mount global hunt for elephant

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 26 (A) — Danish police alerted colleagues in Sweden, West Germany and other countries in an international search for a 400-kilo Indian baby elephant stolen from the Copenhagen Zoo.

Suspicion centered on a Yugoslavian circus artist couple who brought the young elephant, named Sonja, into Denmark from India by way of Yugoslavia.

Police said Sonja was confiscated by police two months ago and placed in the custody of the zoo pending a final ruling by the Danish Wildlife Preservation Agency on the validity of documents attesting to the legal purchase of the baby elephant.

An eyewitness told police he saw two or three persons lead the young elephant out of a large hole cut into the zoo fence shortly

for greater autonomy from the Tehran government.

But they insisted that the well-armed "pershmerga" (prepared to die) guerrillas were not fighting under Iraqi direction. "They have their own fight against Khomeini," said an Iraqi major who declined to give his name for publication.

Reporters saw several dozen guerrillas in two mountain villages now occupied by Iraqi forces. The guerrillas, wearing their traditional baggy pantaloons, embroidered waistcoats and black and white headscarves, were armed with both Soviet Kalashnikovs and U.S. M-16 rifles.

Referring to the fighting, officers claimed Iraqi forces had seized control of two strategic frontier mountain passes in Iran's rugged northwestern Kurdistan province.

But Iranian troops, defeated in the desert plains of the south in a big tank battle earlier this month, are again mounting operations in the snowy north, involving both heavy artillery and infantry attack.

A group of Western correspondents were taken by the Iraqi military to the Iranian town of Nowrud, just 24 hours after Iraqi officers said they had repelled an attack by 700 Iranians.

after midnight Saturday. At the spot where the witness saw the elephant being loaded on blue van, police found a heap of elephant dung.

Police said those who got Sonja out of the zoo elephant house where it lodged with two grown elephants and another baby elephant definitely knew their way about elephants. Otherwise they would not have been able to control the grown elephants and make Sonja march noiselessly across the dark, deserted zoo, through a tunnel to a distant corner of the garden and finally through the hole in the fence.

According to unofficial sources the artists paid \$13,000-\$15,00 for the baby elephant for which they had built accommodations in a house trailer.



BOISTEROUS WELCOME: Thousands wave and cheer as the bus with the freed American hostages enters West Point Military Academy, New York, Sunday.

'Iranian people duped'

Bani-Sadr questions deal with U.S.

TEHRAN, Jan. 26 (Agencies) — President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, in an oblique criticism of the clergy-dominated government, has questioned whether Iran achieved what it wanted in return for the release of the American hostages, according to a newspaper interview published Monday.

He also complained in the interview with the newspaper *Mizan* that he had not been kept informed about the crucial later stages of the hostage negotiations. The president, who has often criticized the government of Prime Minister Mohammad Ali Rajai, did not directly accuse the administration of settling for less than Iran's original release conditions.

But he pointedly asked whether Iran had succeeded in recovering its assets impounded in the United States and the wealth of the late Shah. The newspaper *Enghelab-e-islam* (Islamic revolution), which Bani-Sadr controls, challenged Sunday the government's view that Iran had gained all that it asked for.

Bani-Sadr was quoted by *Mizan* Monday as saying that the U.S. had originally accepted "additional conditions" to those laid down by Iran, but he did not elaborate. He took issue with a statement by Iranian hostage

negotiator Behzad Nabavi just after the hostages were freed last Tuesday that the president's office had been sent all the material on the negotiations. Bani-Sadr said that during the final two weeks of the discussions he had received nothing.

The president said it was still not clear whether Iran would be able to buy more arms from abroad now that the hostage saga was over. He noted that foreign suppliers might still refuse to sell weapons to Iran on the grounds that they did not want to take sides in the Iran-Iraq war.

The president's comments, together with the more openly critical commentary by his newspaper, are signs that the 14-month hostage crisis is becoming a major issue in the power struggle between Bani-Sadr's centrists and the Islamic fundamentalists.

The *Enghelab-e-islam* charged that the Iranian negotiators had "duped the Iranian people" over the contract that secured the Americans' release. From the beginning, Bani-Sadr condemned the hostage seizure as a poor way to fight against "imperialism" and one of the causes for Iran's subsequent isolation on the world scene.

The newspaper charged that the liberation

contract with Washington did not fulfill any of the four conditions laid down by Ayatollah Khomeini: a U.S. pledge of non-interference in Iran, restitution of frozen Iranian assets, the dropping of all lawsuits against Iranian interests, and repatriation of the late Shah's fortune.

The settlement was no "victory for Iran," the paper said, adding that under its terms, Iran would recover only "\$2,700 million of the \$13,900 million" it claimed were frozen by the U.S.

The paper also denounced losses from the Western economic embargo to protest the hostage seizure, charging that the whole question had "masked more serious problems like the (country's) decrease in production."

Quake-struck Indonesians starve

JAKARTA, Jan. 26 (R) — Hundreds of people were Monday cut off from food supplies in a remote region of Indonesia, where more than 260 people may have died in a devastating earthquake last week, officials and mission workers said.

More than 1,500 people are believed to be stranded on the ravaged jungle slopes of the Jaya Wijaya mountain range. Their only lifeline is a relief helicopter service run by the Protestant mission aviation services, while the Indonesian Army is organizing rescue teams.

Bishop Herman Munninghoff said Monday that religious authorities had reports of 262 dead and 400 missing. The helicopter rescue team Sunday lifted 54 persons to safety. The reported more than 1,500 people

still stranded with little food or water in the area.

Continuing tremors are sending boulders and mud slides on to at least 14 villages in the rain-swept mountain valleys, a week after the earthquake first struck.

Hundreds of people had fled into surrounding jungle or higher up the mountain slopes to escape the effects of the devastation, making it difficult to count the missing and dead, relief workers said. The worst hit area is 155 miles south of Japura, not far from the site of a 1976 earthquake which killed 600. It is Indonesia's second major disaster in just over a month. Last month 153 people died in a huge landslide in west Java.

A series of earth tremors shook the Soviet northeast coast of the Black Sea Sunday night but caused no damage, Tass said.

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to exert the necessary pressure on Israel to vacate its aggression," he added.

He accused Israel of aggression against the Arab and Palestinian people and of entertaining expansionist designs on Lebanon. "The summit must take effective measures to counter the aggressive and expansionist policy of Israel and to ensure the territorial integrity and unity of Lebanon," Zia added.

Addressing the conference, Dr. Kurt Waldheim, U.N. secretary general, said that his special envoy Olaf Palme was hopeful of "the possibility of making progress" in ending the Iraq-Iran War. The secretary general urged the leaders to support this effort.

"Whatever views might have been taken on the rights and wrongs of the situation, it is of the utmost importance that this conflict should be speedily brought to an end in conformity with the principles of the U.N. Charter and international law," he said.

The working session opened shortly after midday with a recitation from the Koran. Soon after, President Zia handed over the chair to King Khalid.

Meanwhile, the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) central newspaper published from Beirut urged Muslim leaders Sunday to declare a holy war to recover Israeli-occupied Arab territories and to use oil as a weapon. In a front-page editorial *Falastin Al-Thawra*, headed "Muslims should declare holy Jihad (war)," said the

Islamic summit was of particular importance. It said Palestine was the cause for both Muslims and Arabs "and giving priority to Jerusalem means declaring holy Jihad to liberate it and the same applies to Palestine."

The paper said any resolutions adopted by the summit should provide for action against Israel and "its protectors, the Americans."

Falastin Al-Thawra said Arab and Muslim leaders had been calling for the use of oil as a weapon but had not carried out their threat.

"In view of the importance of oil, we call for using it in the battle or at least bartering it for international positions and roles supporting us," the paper said. "Making statements in return for oil is easy for Europe, Japan and the United States. It may thus be proper to call on the Islamic summit to link oil supplies to firm European and Japanese stand and role in the Middle East," it added.

Other conferees who spoke at the day's session included President Abdo Diouf of Senegal; Prime Minister Bulent Ulusu of Turkey; Ruler of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Sabah; Secretary General of the Muslim World League Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan; Arab League Secretary General Chadli Klibi; Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) Omar Muhammad Al-Muntasser; the Secretary General of the UNESCO and King Hassan II of Morocco.

Japan wants U.S. to play major role

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (R) — Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki and Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ito Monday called on the Reagan administration to play a major role in solving the many problems facing the international community. Both men made major speeches at the opening of a regular session of the Japanese parliament, stressing that Japanese-American relations are the cornerstone of Japanese foreign policy.

"I am strongly hopeful that the United States under the newly inaugurated Reagan administration will exercise strong leadership for the peace and prosperity of the international community," Suzuki said.

"Japan and the United States have built an unshakable relationship of friendship and trust through tireless efforts on both sides and we will strive for the construction of still more mature Japan-U.S. relations with the new Reagan administration as well," he added.

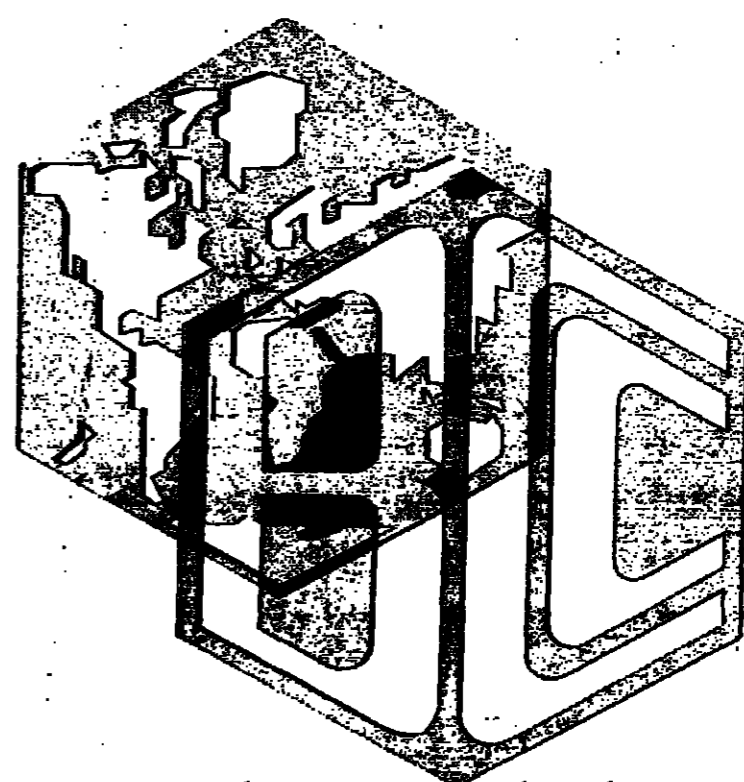
Ito painted a bleak picture of deteriorating political and economic relations throughout the world adding that there had been a major retreat in East-West détente as a result of the Soviet incursion into Afghanistan.

He said cooperative relations between Japan and the U.S., which protects Japan under a mutual security treaty, had taken on a worldwide scope. Saying that Japan must take a bigger role, Ito said: "we intend to maintain close dialogue and cooperation with the new Reagan administration."

Viet food crisis brings changes in ministries

BANGKOK, Jan. 26 (R) — Vietnam has announced sweeping changes in several ministries handling the domestic economy as the country faces its worst food crisis in years. The Vietnam News Agency reported changes involving nine ministries, including those of food, marine products, home trade, power, and coal mining.

The changes were put into effect Sunday and apparently did not affect senior economic ministers. International officials and diplomats here say that mainly because of natural disasters, including typhoons and flooding that affected north and central Vietnam, the country could soon have its worst food crisis since the end of the Vietnam war in 1975.



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